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Cruisers Bombard Scarborough and Hartlepool on North Sea

BEVERLY STEVENS INDICTED IN 69 SEPARATE DEALS

Grand Jury Returns More True Bills Against Realty Operator in Final Report.

CHARGES NOT GIVEN OUT

Defendant Now Under \$32,000 Bond on Four Counts Alleging Embezzlement.

Sixty-nine more indictments were returned today against Beverly C. Stevens, St. Louis County real estate operator, when the county grand jury completed its investigation of his business transactions and reported to Circuit Judge Wurdeman at Clayton.

Each indictment represents a business transaction which the grand jurors are convinced constituted fraud of some sort against a client. Four previous indictments, returned by the same grand jury Nov. 7, charged embezzlement. Stevens also is under indictment at St. Charles on three counts, returned by a grand jury there Nov. 14. These charges are forger.

Stevens is under \$32,000 bond to answer the first four St. Louis County indictments and to answer to three warrants which previously had been issued against him by the Prosecuting Attorney, to hold him pending the grand jury investigation. His sister, Mrs. Jennie C. Higgins of 422 Morgan street, a widow, is his surety for this amount.

Stevens' whereabouts has not been known to Sheriff Bode since the realty dealer, following his business failure, moved from his residence at 3230 Washington avenue. Each time that a warrant or indictment has been returned Stevens has appeared at Clayton with his counsel and furnished bond.

The "Stevens grand jury," as it was called in Clayton, began investigating Stevens' business transactions on Oct. 12, after the Post-Dispatch had printed for a month a series of stories disclosing Stevens' unusual business methods and interviews in which his clients told of losing their savings through realty dealings with him.

He had built up a large clientele because he was generally regarded as a reliable man, and especially because he was always prompt in paying the interest on loans he handled. Widows, especially, invested their money through him, permitting him to select property upon which their money was to be loaned. Quite a number of these are included among the clients who probably will recover little, if any, of their money.

150 Clients Testified.
About 150 of Stevens' clients testified before the grand jury. The investigation has cost the county between \$100 and \$1500.

It was known the grand jury intended reporting today, as Judge Wurdeman's stenographer had been busy several days writing the indictments. When Sidney R. Garrett of Ferguson, foreman of the grand jury, walked into the courtroom, his arm was half full of folded papers. He handed these to Judge Wurdeman.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney E. R. Chappell said they were the indictments against Stevens and that there were 69 in all. Deputy Sheriffs immediately sought to find Stevens.

FAIR AND COLDER TONIGHT; LITTLE WARMER TOMORROW

THE TEMPERATURES.

12 (midnight) 17 7 a. m. 12
1 a. m. 15 8 a. m. 12
2 a. m. 14 9 a. m. 12
3 a. m. 13 10 a. m. 12
4 a. m. 12 11 a. m. 12
5 a. m. 11 12 (noon) 12
6 a. m. 10 1 p. m. 12

Yesterday's Temperatures.
High, 30 at 2 p. m. Low, 4 at 6 a. m.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Fair and slightly colder tonight, with the lowest temperature about 4 degrees tomorrow fair, with slowly rising temperature.

Missouri—Partly cloudy tonight, with a fair, with possibly snow flurries in west portion; slowly rising temperature.

Hillings—Fair tonight; tomorrow, partly cloudy, with slowly rising temperature.

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KLUG TESTIFIES KRATZ MADE HIM NO BRIBE OFFER

Delegate Declares That Holden-reid Didn't Mention Saloon Keeper's Name to Him.

NO TALK WITH ACCUSED

He Says Merchant Was Drinking on Visit to Him—Defense to Ask for Dismissal.

Henry Klug, member of the House of Delegates from the Tenth Ward, testified today in the trial of John Kratz, saloon keeper and politician, charged with attempting to bribe him, gave no testimony which would tend directly to incriminate Kratz. Klug was the State's last witness, and Kratz's lawyer, Cleveland A. Newton, said he would move that Judge Hennings dismiss Kratz, on the ground that no case had been made.

The State had undertaken to show that Kratz offered Klug \$500 to vote for the passage, over Mayor Kiel's veto, of the proposed increase in the tax rate to provide for the building of the free bridge wagon approach. This matter was pending in May, 1913.

The passage of the measure would have enabled the Southern Traction Co. of Illinois to complete its line, under the St. Louis franchise which it then held, but which has since been repealed.

Holdenreid's Testimony.

Leonard A. Holdenreid, carpet and wall paper dealer, of 308 South Jefferson avenue, testified that Kratz sent him to see Klug, on the morning of the day when the House was to vote on the measure at a special afternoon session. He said Kratz authorized him to offer Klug \$500 for his vote on the tax rate increase. Klug said he was against it, and Holdenreid then mentioned the \$500 offer, the witness said.

Holdenreid testified that Klug asked who was back of the offer, and that when he named Kratz, Klug asked, "Will he make it now?" Klug testified that he then took Klug to Kratz's saloon on Sixth street, and Holdenreid then mentioned the \$500 offer, the witness said.

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Drank in Five Saloons.

Holdenreid admitted that he had been drinking in five saloons before he went to Kratz's the first time, that he drank wine with Klug at Klug's saloon, that he took another drink on reaching Kratz's, and that by that time he was too much affected by his potations to remember the occurrences at Kratz's.

"Isn't it a fact," Attorney Newton asked him, in cross-examination, "that you got drunk, started some talk that got you in trouble, and then accused Kratz in the attempt to save yourself?" Holdenreid said it was not a fact. He is still under indictment in the case, having been indicted before he gave the testimony which caused Kratz's indictment.

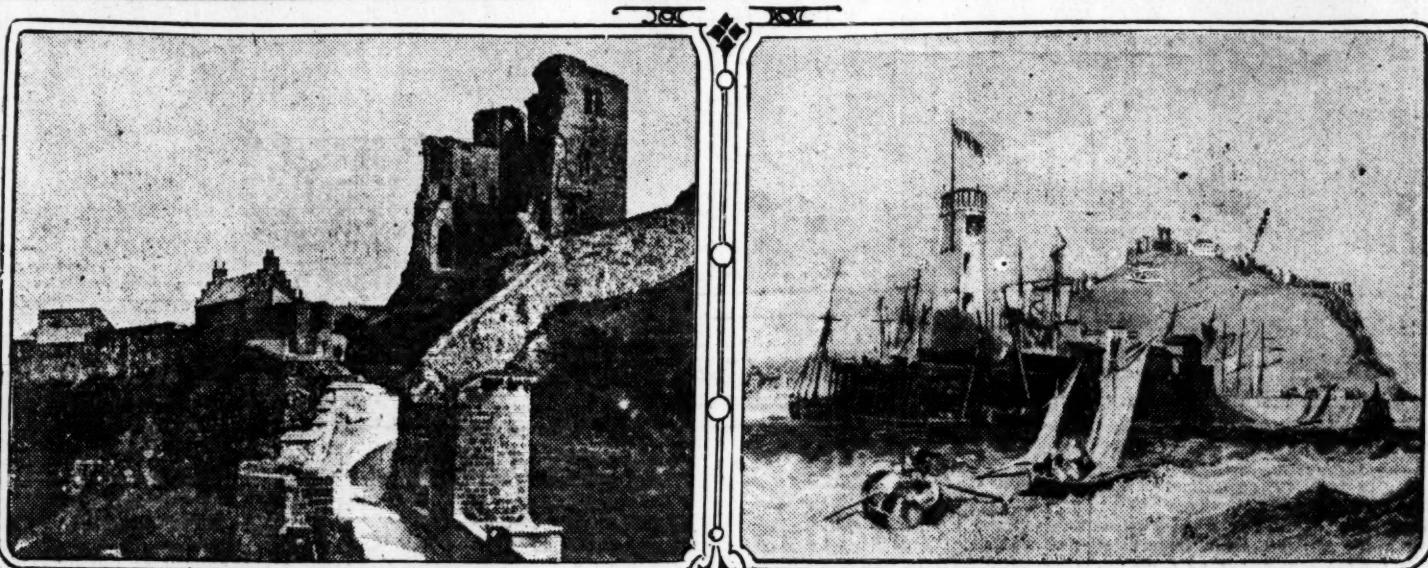
Klug's Testimony.

Klug, in his testimony, said Holdenreid telephoned to him and called at his saloon, asking him about his vote on the tax rate increase. When Klug said he was against the measure, he testified, Holdenreid said, "How will you vote if you get \$500?"

"I didn't pay any attention to him," Klug testified.

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Scenes in English Towns Shelled by Germans



THE lower view shows the prominence at Scarborough, on the North Sea, with the ruins of the old castle on the hilltop at the right. The upper left-hand picture gives a closer view of these ruins, and the upper right hand picture is an old-time drawing of the port of Scarborough.

STRINGENT TEXAS LIQUOR LAW HELD TO BE NOT VALID

Allison Measure Prohibiting Shipments Into Dry Territory "Wiped Out" by Court.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 16.—The stringent Allison liquor law, prohibiting shipment of liquor into dry territory in Texas, was today practically invalidated by a decision of the Court of Criminal Appeals which Judge Prendergast, who presided, said "wiped it off the statute books."

Today's decision declared any person or agent might carry or ship liquor into dry territory provided it was not the intention to use the liquor for unlawful purposes or for resale in dry area. The Allison law forbade newspapers to carry liquor advertisements in dry territory.

SKATING ON PARK LAKES

There is skating today on the lakes in Forest Park, Fairground, Lafayette Park, Lyon Park and Hyde Park. This is the first day that skating has been permitted at Forest Park. The lakes at Lyon and O'Fallon Park were open all day yesterday.

Skating was permitted on the others in the forenoon, but they were not considered entirely safe and were closed in the afternoon. The ice on Fairground lake was reported to be four and one-half inches thick.

MINES EXPLODE 25 FEET FROM A BIG LINER'S BOW

Fragment Tears Away Part of Transylvania's Rail Off Northern Coast of Ireland.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The big Cunard liner Transylvania, in today from Liverpool with 365 passengers, had a narrow escape from destruction by a mine at 4 o'clock in the morning of Dec. 6. During a storm off the north coast of Ireland two mines were dashed together by the waves and exploded about 25 feet off the steamer's bow.

A fragment of steel from one of the mines shot across the deck of the liner and tore away a part of the railing. It then fell upon the deck and was picked up by one of the passengers.

The force of the explosion, it was said, lifted the bow of the Transylvania out of the water.

The Transylvania left Liverpool at 5 o'clock the afternoon of Dec. 5. During the night the steamer ran into a heavy storm and many of the passengers were awakened by the tossing of the ship. A few minutes after 4 o'clock in the morning a terrific explosion caused the ship to tremble from bow to stern. The passengers rushed on deck. Officers told them nothing had happened, that what they had heard was a thunderclap. Then the passengers found the space that had been torn out of the deck railing and one of them picked up a fragment of the mine that had caused the damage.

Among the passengers was Sir Charles Allison, chairman of the British Prisoners of War Relief Committee. Sir Charles said he came to America to try to have a committee of Americans and other neutrals appointed to investigate conditions and surroundings of British, French, Belgian and Russian soldiers in German detention camps and military prisons. The committee, he said, proposed that remedial measures should be taken.

C. H. MCCORMICK JR. BEGINS "AT BOTTOM" AT \$25 A WEEK

Harvester President's Son Must Make Good or Become a \$15 Clerk.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Cyrus H. McCormick Jr., son of the president of the International Harvester Co., began work today as a salesman to learn the business "from the ground up." His salary was fixed at \$25 per week but the district manager under whom he is working said that if he failed to sell enough goods to earn the compensation he would be given a clerkship at a salary of \$15.

McCormick expects to succeed his father as president of the company, which has been defeated in committee.



Britain Supposed to Have Great Part of Her Naval Strength in the North Sea

IMMEDIATELY on the outbreak of hostilities the British fleet, or at least a considerable portion of it, is supposed to have taken up positions on the eastern side of the North Sea by which the German warships were held in check in or close to their naval base at Wilhelmshafen, the mouth of the Elbe and elsewhere on the western coast of Germany.

This patrol has been maintained since early in August. It has from time to time been penetrated by German submarines, but so far as is known the instances when German cruisers or battleships have broken the British line and emerged into the North Sea have been few and far between.

Dispatches from Germany for as much as a month past have indicated in one way or another that the Germans were making preparations at their sea bases for naval activity. Very little detail of what was going on has come out, nevertheless these messages led to the belief that the German ships might soon attempt some maneuver.

The Kiel Canal, running from the North Sea to the Baltic, makes it possible for Germany to concentrate her entire fleet in either one water or the other. By bringing through the canal such vessels as she may have used in the Baltic since the beginning of the war Germany could concentrate in the North Sea virtually her entire naval strength.

The British naval strength in the North Sea is and has been an unknown quantity. There is reason to believe, however, that it is formidable. Whatever the disposition of British warships outside of British waters may be today, there has been from the beginning reliable evidence that she has concentrated in the North Sea a very large proportion of her naval strength.

Ship Hill Reported Favorably. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The ship purchase bill urged by President Wilson was favorably reported to the Senate for action today, after several amendments proposed by minority members had been defeated in committee.

RAIDERS CREEP UP IN MISTY NIGHT, THROW SHELLS HALF HOUR

Hotel Destroyed at Scarborough Where Woman Behind Counter in Shop Is Killed

BRITISH FLEET REPORTED ENGAGING HOSTILE SHIPS

Heavy Property Damage Also Is Done at Hartlepool, Where Land Batteries Drive Off Cruisers—Abbey at Whitby Damaged—Many Residents Flee to Hull.

By ASSOCIATED PRESS.

HARTLEPOOL, England, Dec. 16.—(Via London, 5:25 p. m.)

It is reported here that a flotilla of British torpedo boat destroyers early this morning encountered three German cruisers eight miles off the English coast. The cruisers immediately opened fire.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The first gun in the long-expected German attack on English soil was fired today, and for the first time in the history of the United Kingdom hostile warships bombarded English towns. The famous watering place, Scarborough and the nearby towns of Hartlepool, Redcar and Whitby, on the shore of the North Sea, about 200 miles north of London and 340 miles west of Heligoland, the island which guards the German naval base at Wilhelmshaven, were shelled by German warships.

The Official Press Bureau this afternoon made the following announcement with regard to the attack:

"The fortress commander at West Hartlepool reports that German war vessels engaged that fortress between 8 o'clock and 9 o'clock this morning.

"The enemy were driven off.

"A small German war vessel also opened fire on Scarborough and Whitby."

The press bureau's earlier announcement, issued shortly before 11:30, said: "Our flotillas have at various points been engaged. The situation is developing."

There were no further official reports, however, of a naval engagement, though rumors were current in London that two German cruisers had been sunk in the North Sea.

The Yorkshire Evening News reports that two German cruisers were sunk in the engagement and that the British flotilla was damaged.

Ships Creep to Coast During Misty Night.

A German squadron, the size of which is not yet known, crept up during a misty night. When the fogs cleared between 7 and 9 o'clock this morning the vessels of this squadron opened fire on the three towns. Forty miles separates Scarborough from Hartlepool.

British flotillas are engaging these invaders of British waters and the fortress of West Hartlepool, off the mouth of the River Tees, fired upon the enemy.

The unofficial reports reaching London by telephone were confused and probably exaggerated. An eyewitness at the seaside resort of Scarborough estimates that 50 shells landed in the town, wrecking the Balmoral Hotel, a number of houses and the railroad station. One of the objectives of the attack was St. Martin's Church, which was damaged. A woman behind the counter of a shop was killed, and her husband was wounded.

Messages from Hartlepool say the local gas works and the lumber yards were set afire by the shells of the German ships. The estimate of the casualties at Hartlepool, nine people killed, probably is guesswork.

Resident of Whitby Dies From Shell Wound.

Two German warships threw 30 shells into Whitby and wrecked several houses, according to a message from that place, and one civilian resident of Whitby died of a wound received during the bombardment. The sound of the German guns was heard at towns as far inland as 20 miles, according to some reports.

People from Scarborough, aroused from their sleep by the German shells, hurried in droves to the railroad station and boarded the first trains for Hull, where they circulated alarmist stories as to what was happening on the coast.

Woman Is Killed at Scarborough

SCARBOROUGH, England, Dec. 16, via London.—Just before daylight today a vessel of the cruiser type was observed off Scarborough. The warship came in close and for half an hour threw shell after shell into the town, doing considerable damage.

A woman behind a counter in a shop was killed instantly and her husband wounded. The ruins of the shop tumbled down about them. Forty or fifty shells were thrown, the objective of the German gunners apparently being the town hall, which was damaged slightly. Other

GERMAN LINES ON BELGIAN COAST AGAIN BOMBARDED BY BRITISH FLEET

property suffered much more seriously and in places the streets are filled with the wreckage.

During the bombardment the vessel steamed slowly past the town and finally disappeared in the haze. After she had been lost sight of, the sound of her guns was heard for some time.

When the shells began falling, many citizens rushed from their houses, and crowds ran toward the railroad station, where those who could boarded the train which was then starting for Hull.

Shells Disperse Hartlepool Crowds

HARTLEPOOL, England, Dec. 16, via London, noon.—The residents of Hartlepool were awakened this morning by heavy gun firing. A great crowd at once assembled on the beach to learn whence the sounds came.

Shells from German ships soon began dropping into the city, whereupon the crowd on the beach rapidly sought shelter.

New York business premises and private homes were wrecked here by the German shells.

Two Cruisers Drop Shells on Whitby

WHITBY, York, England, Dec. 16, via London.—Two German cruisers bombarded this town between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning.

The two German cruisers appeared to be about three miles off shore. In their bombardment several persons were injured and a number of buildings, including the historic abbey there, were damaged. One person is reported to have been killed.

The cruisers, after the bombardment, disappeared in a northeasterly direction.

Three Cruisers Seen at Redcar

REDCAR, York, England, Dec. 16, via London, 1:27 p. m.—Heavy firing was heard off the coast here between 8 and 8:20 a. m. today.

The forms of three cruisers could be discerned looking out of the haze and the flashes of artillery fire could be easily observed from the Redcar promenade.

The people of Redcar sought the water front, but they were driven back from the promenade by the military authorities, to a point beyond the zone of danger.

It appeared from here as if the hostile warships were attacking the forts on Tees Bay. The cannonading was kept up for more than half an hour, when the booming of guns gradually grew less.

During the height of the bombardment as many as half a dozen flashes of guns were counted within the space of two minutes.

Redcar is a seaside resort in the North Riding of Yorkshire, 10 miles to the south of Hartlepool. It has a population of about 8000.

Refugees Tell of Damage at Scarborough

HULL, England, via London, 1 p. m., Dec. 16.—Fugitives reaching here from Scarborough say the German bombardment of that port was heavy and that great damage was done to property in Scarborough.

The arrival of the German raiders off Scarborough took place under cover of a thick veil of fog. Some people declared they saw a German cruiser lying off Castle Cliff.

The roof of St. Martin's Church was struck and one woman is known to have been killed. Another church was damaged and the roofs of several houses were carried away by shells.

The people were greatly excited. They rushed from their houses at the first sound of firing, and women and children were seen running through the streets in their night clothes.

Refugees Pour Into Hull from Scarborough

The morning train from Scarborough to Hull brought many passengers who left Scarborough when the shelling began.

One man who arrived here from Scarborough estimates that the German cruisers fired a total of about fifty shells into Scarborough. He declares he saw only three chimney stacks shattered.

Nine persons are reported here to have been killed at Hartlepool and a number injured in the bombardment of Hartlepool, which lasted for 25 minutes.

The hostile vessels are estimated at from two to six, but never once were they clearly visible from the shore.

The forts on the River Tees replied to the fire of the German vessels. Pieces of shell have been found all over Hartlepool. The damage inflicted on the town is said to be considerable. One of the shells hit a gas tank and set it afire.

Hotel in Center of Scarborough Struck

James Harvey Scott of Scarborough, who arrived here after the bombardment, said:

"I could not believe it was a real attack. I thought the battleships were practicing. Then I saw a shell fall on the roof of a house, which caught fire, and there was a cloud of smoke.

"I also noticed the Balmford Hotel, right in the center of the town, was struck. As I walked to the station shells were bursting overhead and at the station shells fell into the yard. A porter there picked up a fragment."

Another witness from Scarborough said a large amount of debris was scattered about the square near the railway station by the shell fire. Roofs of houses were torn away, windows were broken and holes were bored entirely through some houses. The huge chimney at the brick works was knocked down. Several shells were fired at the wireless station.

It is reported here that word had been received that an attack by the Germans was contemplated and that consequently the authorities were in readiness to meet it. The coast defense had been thoroughly prepared and all the units of infantry and artillery were at their stations and in the trenches.

Scarborough Queen of Watering Places; Hartlepool Has a Medieval Church

Scarborough is a seaport and fashionable resort of England in the northern part of Yorkshire, on a headland extending into the North Sea. It is 37 miles northeast of the important English city of York. It is a little more than 200 miles from London.

Scarborough has been popularly styled the "Queen of Watering Places." The town has a large spa and interesting aquarium, a museum and a fine drive and promenade pier. The permanent population of the place is more than 40,000 persons.

In Form of Amphitheater. Scarborough is finely situated in the form of an amphitheater on slopes rising from the sea and terminated on the north and south by abrupt cliffs. The most prominent feature of the resort is a promontory 300 feet high, which rises above the harbor on the north side and which is surmounted by the ruins of a twelfth century castle. This promontory divides North Scarborough Bay from the south bay. The north cliffs are steep and the south cliffs are gentle. The town is built on the slopes of the promontory and the sea wall.

The fashionable part of Scarborough is in the southern half of the city and is separated from the old town by the beach. On the north side are the gardens and the mineral springs. At the back of the south cliff rises Oliver's Mountain, 60 feet high, affording a good view of the port and the sea.

The Castle of Scarborough, crowning the promontory and commanding the town is one of the most striking objects on the Yorkshire coast. From the beach the land rises in a steep ascent and upon this slope stands the town. Scarborough, as to situation and appearance, has no rival on the northeastern coast.

EVERYBODY'S buying diamonds, watches, jewelry, for Christmas presents or credit at Lottis Bros. & Co., 24 floor, 305 N. 6th st. Germans Moving Troops From Csanstochowa Toward Carpathians.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 15.—The following official communication has been received from general headquarters at the front:

"In the Mlava region our action continues and the success gained by our troops has been maintained.

"On the left bank of the Vistula large forces of the enemy are concentrating. In the area adjacent to the river near flow the presence of several new bodies of the enemy, which have just reached our front, has been disclosed.

"Since the morning of Dec. 14 there has been fierce fighting between Lovicz, the Vistula and the left bank of the Bzura and both sides have been alternately on the offensive and defensive. Our troops, however, have been able to make some progress.

"The fighting in the other regions along the whole stretch of the front has been less intense. A marked weakening of the enemy between Csanstochowa and Cracow is reported and in that region the Germans are completing their movements by railway toward the passes of the Carpathians.

"In Western Galicia the battle is developing.

An ex-minister of the Russian Cabinet, explaining the military situation in an interview, stated that public opinion solidly endorsed the decision of the Russian general staff recently announced.

regarding the discontinuance of the Russian attacks in the region of the Austrian fortress of Cracow, and the yielding of Lodz to the Germans. The ex-minister said:

"It is now apparent that the Austro-German aim is not the taking or holding of certain towns, but by a continuous harassing of the Russian flanks and by means of their extensive railroad system to throw troops at various points here and there in an attempt to weaken and tire out our army.

"Hence the Russians decided to strengthen the line, abandoning all places outside of that line, no matter how important or how populous. The Russian plan is to conserve the Russian forces rather than to hold geographical points.

"This explains why, despite the new Austrian offensive from the Carpathians and the German attempt between the Vistula River and Lodz, great life sacrificing battles were not reported."

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British Fleet Violently Bombed Westende on Belgian Coast. PARIS, Dec. 16.—The official announcement given out by the war office today is as follows:

"In Belgium the town of Westende to the northeast of Lombardzyde, has been violently bombed by the British fleet. (Westende is on the coast, seven miles southwest of Ostend.)

British Troops Clad for Winter in Trenches at the Front



WINTER SCENE in the BRITISH TRENCHES

Servians by Retaking Belgrade Smash German Plans Expert Argues

By the Military Expert of the New York Evening Sun.

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THE second war correspondent of the second war has given the world a graphic picture of the battle of the Bregalinitza, which decided the fate of Bulgaria and disclosed the true spirit of Serbia to an astounded Austrian audience. The night before the battle began Servian officers dined with Bulgarians; no war had been declared; the armies facing each other were still friendly, fellow victors of recent Turkish battles.

But just before daylight the Bulgarian army moved suddenly forward, captured or killed the Servian advance guards, swept on and for some hours advanced until they occupied a ridge beyond the Bregalinitza which dominated the whole surrounding country. The purpose had been to crush Servian military power by an unexpected attack and render a beaten enemy. They had built most strongly among their bulwarks a legend of Bulgarian invincibility; they hoped to make Bulgaria the Prussia of the Balkans.

Servian spirit steels itself. The first onset found the Servians unprepared. Then followed some hours of confusion; but about noon the Bulgarians in their newly-won position saw the Servian masses descending the hills to the attack. Neither the momentary advantage won by the sudden breach of trust nor the Bulgarian reputation for military prowess had cowed the Serbs.

What remained was a desperate struggle to the world interested in results, not details. In sum, before this Servian advance halted the Bulgarian armies were fleeing in two widely separated masses toward the frontier; the victors of Kumanovo had conquered those of Lala Gurgas and Servia had won Monastir and Macedonia.

Something of the same spirit which won the Bregalinitza is discernible in this new rally of Serbia, this new triumph which comes at the precise moment when the world was fearful lest it should see another tragedy such as that of Belgium. Instead, we have a scene that belongs to other centuries than our own. The white-haired Peter rides before his troops, he is welcomed with cheers by his broken regiments who rally, return to the charge, prevail, and now we have the Austrian hosts fleeing back from Belgrade, from Valievo, from Servia. The Serbs have escaped a second Kosovo.

Austria's "Crushing Blow" Falls. Aside from romantic circumstances what has happened in Serbia is plain. When Germany launched her threat at Warsaw in October and the whole Russian line was compelled to go back, a huge Austrian force, thus released, was sent south to overwhelm the Serbs, who from the time of their victory at the Jadar in August had maintained the fighting in Bosnian territory. It was the hope and the expectation of the Austro-German commanders that the Serbs would be crushed before Russian offensive became dangerous.

This calculation failed. By mid-November Russian armies were back in Western Galicia, were across the Carpathians in Hungary, were threatening new raids toward Budapest and the prompt capture of Cracow.

At this time the Servian army, beaten, driven, was far back in Servian territory and Belgrade seemed about soon to fall, did fall shortly. But the Servian spirit was unconquered, the army shaken but defiant. With its work still undone, it was then necessary for the Austrian army to be weakened. Three army corps out of seven, dispatches assert, were sent north to Hungary, toward Galicia by the Dukla pass.

But the four corps were left were incapable of holding back the Servian army and, having been routed, are now in headlong flight, Belgrade, much bombarded, is a brief Austrian occupation, is Serb once more, a second invasion of Bosnia is assured.

Servian's Role Glorious as Belgium's. For the Austro-German commanders this newest reverse is a familiar detail. At the very outset of the great war the resistance of Belgium deranged the whole German time table and diverted several corps needed in France.

When Austrian troops were winning victories in Alsace it was the Serb triumph at Jadar that called home two Austrian corps and ended the Alsatian campaign for the Germans.

Again it was Russian invasion in East Prussia that prevented the Kaiser from having the necessary numbers at the Marne. He won Tannenberg in the East and lost his whole campaign in the West. Next, his Galia enterprise was beaten, apparently for all time by the Russian drive back to East Prussia, to Silesia, to Posen. Thanks to Russian masses the allies are now on the offensive in the West, the Germans united East and West.

Despite various rumors it appears now the Russians did not send reinforcements to the Servians by the Danube. Instead they sent cosacs into Hungary, took the Dukla Pass again, and by this pressure pulled up the Austrians in Serbia, recalled the corps who are now repulsed descending the Carpathians in a desperate effort to retain Cracow and Przemyśl, possibly the final effort of unfortunate Austria.

Consequences of Austria's Defeat. The military consequences of Serbia's escape may be measured in a new invasion of Bosnia. Unquestionably within a short time now the allied fleet in the Gulf of Cattaro and the Serb and Montenegrin armies will open communication. A revolution in Bosnia, inhabited by Serbs, is wholly likely, now that King Peter's troops are returning victorious and the humiliation of Austrian arms in all fields is known.

But it is the effect of the Servian victory on Bulgaria, Rumania and Greece which is of immediate interest now. There is to be no Austrian progress through the Valley of the Moravia toward Sofia. The chances of persuading Bulgaria by Turkish pressure on the South, Austrian on the West, to join with the two Kaisers has vanished. Turkish troops are not to be brought by the Orient Railway to the battle lines of the West.

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Servians by Retaking Belgrade Smash German Plans Expert Argues

By the Military Expert of the New York Evening Sun.

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THE second war correspondent of the second war has given the world a graphic picture of the battle of the Bregalinitza, which decided the fate of Bulgaria and disclosed the true spirit of Serbia to an astounded Austrian audience. The night before the battle began Servian officers dined with Bulgarians; no war had been declared; the armies facing each other were still friendly, fellow victors of recent Turkish battles.

But just before daylight the Bulgarian army moved suddenly forward, captured or killed the Servian advance guards, swept on and for some hours advanced until they occupied a ridge beyond the Bregalinitza which dominated the whole surrounding country. The purpose had been to crush Servian military power by an unexpected attack and render a beaten enemy. They had built most strongly among their bulwarks a legend of Bulgarian invincibility; they hoped to make Bulgaria the Prussia of the Balkans.

Servian spirit steels itself. The first onset found the Servians unprepared. Then followed some hours of confusion; but about noon the Bulgarians in their newly-won position saw the Servian masses descending the hills to the attack. Neither the momentary advantage won by the sudden breach of trust nor the Bulgarian reputation for military prowess had cowed the Serbs.

What remained was a desperate struggle to the world interested in results, not details. In sum, before this Servian advance halted the Bulgarian armies were fleeing in two widely separated masses toward the frontier; the victors of Kumanovo had conquered those of Lala Gurgas and Servia had won Monastir and Macedonia.

Something of the same spirit which won the Bregalinitza is discernible in this new rally of Serbia, this new triumph which comes at the precise moment when the world was fearful lest it should see another tragedy such as that of Belgium. Instead, we have a scene that belongs to other centuries than our own. The white-haired Peter rides before his troops, he is welcomed with cheers by his broken regiments who rally, return to the charge, prevail, and now we have the Austrian hosts fleeing back from Belgrade, from Valievo, from Servia. The Serbs have escaped a second Kosovo.

Austria's "Crushing Blow" Falls. Aside from romantic circumstances what has happened in Serbia is plain. When Germany launched her threat at Warsaw in October and the whole Russian line was compelled to go back, a huge Austrian force, thus released, was sent south to overwhelm the Serbs, who from the time of their victory at the Jadar in August had maintained the fighting in Bosnian territory. It was the hope and the expectation of the Austro-German commanders that the Serbs would be crushed before Russian offensive became dangerous.

This calculation failed. By mid-November Russian armies were back in Western Galicia, were across the Carpathians in Hungary, were threatening new raids toward Budapest and the prompt capture of Cracow.

At this time the Servian army, beaten, driven, was far back in Servian territory and Belgrade seemed about soon to fall, did fall shortly. But the Servian spirit was unconquered, the army shaken but defiant. With its work still undone, it was then necessary for the Austrian army to be weakened. Three army corps out of seven, dispatches assert, were sent north to Hungary, toward Galicia by the Dukla pass.

But the four corps were left were incapable of holding back the Servian army and, having been routed, are now in headlong flight, Belgrade, much bombarded, is a brief Austrian occupation, is Serb once more, a second invasion of Bosnia is assured.

Servian's Role Glorious as Belgium's. For the Austro-German commanders this newest reverse is a familiar detail. At the very outset of the great war the resistance of Belgium deranged the whole German time table and diverted several corps needed in France.

When Austrian troops were winning victories in Alsace it was the Serb triumph at Jadar that called home two Austrian corps and ended the Alsatian campaign for the Germans.

Again it was Russian invasion in East Prussia that prevented the Kaiser from having the necessary numbers at the Marne. He won Tannenberg in the East and lost his whole campaign in the West. Next, his Galia enterprise was beaten, apparently for all time by the Russian drive back to East Prussia, to Silesia, to Posen. Thanks to Russian masses the allies are now on the offensive in the West, the Germans united East and West.

Despite various rumors it appears now the Russians did not send reinforcements to the Servians by the Danube. Instead they sent cosacs into Hungary, took the Dukla Pass again, and by this pressure pulled up the Austrians in Serbia, recalled the corps who are now repulsed descending the Carpathians in a desperate effort to retain Cracow and Przemyśl, possibly the final effort of unfortunate Austria.

Consequences of Austria's Defeat. The military consequences of Serbia's escape may be measured in a new invasion of Bosnia. Unquestionably within a short time now the allied fleet in the Gulf of Cattaro and the Serb and Montenegrin armies will open communication. A revolution in Bosnia, inhabited by Serbs, is wholly likely, now that King Peter's troops are returning victorious and the humiliation of Austrian arms in all fields is known.

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ROACH THRUSTS AT BARKER OVER CLERKS' GRAFT

Secretary of State Refers to Attorney-General's Chautauqua Tour Last Summer.

LETTER ASKS FOR RULING

He Wants to Know if Employees Can Sell Official Information After Office Hours.

By a Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 16.—Secretary of State Roach, plucked at Attorney-General Barker's opinion in the Post-Dispatch yesterday, that employees of the State and Insurance Departments cannot properly sell information compiled from official records during the working hours for which they are paid by the State, last night sent a letter to Barker, asking if the clerk could sell such information if compiled outside of office hours.

Secretary Roach said that if Barker ruled against the practice he would order it stopped.

When first interviewed by a Post-Dispatch reporter yesterday, Roach declared it was impossible that any of the employees in his department could be selling information. He declared the records in his office were locked in the steel vaults promptly at the close of business each day; that it would not be possible for the work to be done except during office hours, and that he had issued orders that all clerks and employees should attend strictly to official duties during such hours. He said he believed they were complying with his orders.

Plan of Selling Information.

A plan for selling information formerly employed in the State Department was a stereotyped reply sent to all persons who wrote asking for information from the files of the office.

A letter would be written to the applicant for information, informing him that the clerks in the office did not have time to furnish him the information, but that if he would write to M. H. Millard at a certain address, the information would be supplied.

M. H. Millard is Miss Mina H. Millard, Roach's sister-in-law, and is his confidential clerk in the State Department. The State pays her a salary of \$300 a year.

Roach said that Miss Millard formerly prepared information for concerns applying for it, but that she had discontinued this work. Miss Millard said she was not selling information.

Roach's letter to Barker demanding an opinion on the legality of selling information includes a thrust at the Attorney-General's Chautauqua tour, made last summer, on which he is supposed to have realized several thousand dollars.

Roach's Letter to Barker.

"Hon. John T. Barker, Attorney-General, Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 15.—Dear Sir: I write to procure an official opinion concerning the following matters. The State Department supplies no official list of any kind or character for advertising or private purposes, but the official records are open to the public at all times during office hours.

"John Doe, editor of a publication, writes an acquaintance who is an employee of this department for a list of registered motor vehicle owners with addresses of same. The employee applied to furnish the list, receiving pay for the time employed in making a copy of the names and addresses. The time employed to do this work is at night, and on holidays. A bonding company applies to an acquaintance, who is a clerk in this department, for names and addresses of parties to whom notarial commissions are issued. The time devoted to the giving of this list is outside of office hours. The clerk receives remuneration for his unofficial industry.

Information Desired by Roach.

"I desire to ask (1) whether, in your opinion, such practice is illegal, (2) whether funds paid for going to the party rendering the unofficial service, (3) and whether the official records should be closed to employees who may by their connection with the office absorb knowledge of commercial value.

"As the services herein referred to are not of a character required by law to be given, and is not applied for by parties claiming or who can claim same should be furnished by any right of law and would not be applied for otherwise or supplied, the industry referred to would be nil if the clerk received no compensation.

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16 Little Girls Will Give Bazar for Poor



ELSIE and CLAIRE GARNEAU.

A bazar, the proceeds of which will go to the needy poor of St. Louis and to the Red Cross, will be given by 16 little girls Saturday at the home of Mrs. Herbert A. Feldman, 54 Kingsbury place.

There will be the usual fancy work, candy and refreshment booths. Nearly all of the articles which will be offered for sale were made by the little girls giving the bazar, nearly all of whom

are less than 12 years old. The bazar will be open from 10 a. m. until 6 p. m.

The children giving the bazar are: Elsie and Claire Garneau, twins; Marjorie Livingston, Dorothy McBride, Janice Feldman, Julia Fay Carton, Marion Lemp, Elise Harbaugh, Doris O'Neil, Grace Peters, Joseph Moffitt, Jeannette Granville, Josephine Edgar, Josephine Garrett, Marjorie Wolf and Frances Compton.

Children start on long walk to join mother.

Leave Philadelphia Bound for Chicago, but End Trip at Delaware, N. J.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—An attempt to walk to Chicago in search of their mother, Florence B. McConney, 14 years old, and her half-brother, George Henkels, 11, who left the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers, Sunday morning, ended in Delaware, N. J., late last evening, at the home of George Hasner, Chief of Police.

Cold and hungry, they begged Mrs. Hasner to give them a night's lodging. Florence told Mrs. Hasner she was homesick for her mother and she and her brother agreed to go for her, even if they had to walk the entire distance.

The mother of the children, Mrs. Alexander Keddie, was twice married. Her first husband was George McConney. After his death she was married to George Henkels, whom she divorced about seven years ago. Then she was married to Alexander Keddie and went to Los Angeles to live, taking her daughter, Florence. About two months ago she sent Florence to her grandparents, with whom George had been living.

Lorimer's Trial Set for Feb. 1.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Former Senator William Lorimer, president of the defunct La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank, appeared in the Criminal Court today to urge a speedy trial of the charges against himself and other officers of the bank who were indicted on charges of conspiracy to defraud. The court set the trial for Feb. 1.

REVELLE DEFENDS
ACTION OF CLERKS

Insurance Superintendent Says Information They Sold Was Compiled Outside Office Hours.

Charles G. Revelle, State Superintendent of Insurance, brought to the Post-Dispatch today the following defense of the action of his clerks, who were accused of selling information compiled during regular office hours:

"At the time this matter was brought to my attention, I carefully investigated the law and found nothing whatever prohibiting it unless it was the constitutional provision which requires 'all public officers to devote their time to their official duties.' The courts, in construing this provision, have held that it only requires officers to devote to official duties office hours and that outside such hours they can do with their time as they see fit. If they prefer to devote their unofficial time to other remunerative functions instead of spending it in idleness, the courts say, such is their privilege.

"The services for which my clerks have been criticized are rendered at night and during unofficial hours, and the constitutional provision cannot be construed to prohibit this."

Revelle also called attention to Barker's chautauqua lectures, delivered on business days during his term as Attorney-General, saying that he was confident Barker felt that he was entitled to the money thus obtained, and on the same theory would concede to the clerks their right to money obtained by outside work.

Gov. Major Says Clerks' practice Should Be Looked Into.

Gov. Major, at the Planters Hotel today, said he had read the Post-Dispatch account of the practice of clerks in State departments at Jefferson City who compile information from State records and sell it to individuals and corporations for their own profit while their time and services are being paid for by the State.

The Governor said he knew of no statute or common law which would make it illegal for employees in State departments to compile information from official records for the use of those who have not the time to visit Jefferson City and personally obtain the information for themselves.

He said it was a matter for the Attorney-General to look into.

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\$18,160 IS TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO ST. CLAIR COUNTY

Money Will Be Turned Over by Paul W. Abt to the New Treasurer, Fred Warning.

Herman Pfuhl, chief clerk in the office of the County Treasurer of St. Clair County, Ill., at Belleville, today completed his report, on the basis of which, it is expected, the county funds will be turned over by Paul W. Abt, former Treasurer, to Fred Warning, who was installed as Treasurer eight days ago.

Pfuhl reported that the total receipts for the year were \$34,212.22, the total disbursements were \$16,052.44, leaving a balance on hand of \$18,160.58. This represents the amount to be turned over to the new treasurer.

The balance, Pfuhl said, consisted of the following items: Estates of deceased persons fund, \$238.84; State's Attorney's fund, \$238.84; institution fund, \$33.10; unclaimed wages fund, \$33.10; condemnation fund, \$73.29; sundry deposits, \$234.32; inheritance tax fund, \$267.73; general county fund, \$665.01.

Pfuhl said the payments of general and special tax collections to townships and municipalities had been made within the past few days, the last one having been made to East St. Louis.

Because the books were not posted up to date, the new Treasurer refused last week to take over the county funds. Abt said at that time that there had been a delay in getting the accounts in shape, but that all the money due would be accounted for. Abt was elected to the State Senate last month.

COMPTROLLER RESIGNS;
CRITICIZES CHAMBERLIN

East St. Louis Official Says Mayor Interfered With His Duties and Blocked Economy.

George Bolismene, comptroller of East St. Louis, handed his resignation today to City Clerk John Griffin, to take effect at once.

Bolismene gave no reason in his resignation for his action. To a reporter of the Post-Dispatch he said he resigned on account of friction with Mayor Chamberlin. The direct reason, he said, was the action of the City Council in creating the office of Assistant Corporation Counsel at Monday night's meeting.

Mayor Chamberlin, he said, was responsible for the action, which was taken in the face of Bolismene's efforts to hold down expenses.

Bolismene explained that he did not seek the office and only accepted it with the understanding that he would be permitted to conduct the office without interference. Chamberlin told him, he said, that all he wanted was efficiency, but had interfered with him many times during the past few months.

"I don't believe in placing politics ahead of business," he said.

He was not consulted, he said, about the creation of the new office of Assistant Corporation Counsel, although both the statute and the city code provide that before an ordinance calling for increased expenditure is passed the comptroller must be consulted.

Five Turnips Weigh 30 Pounds.

YELLVILLE, Ark., Dec. 15.—The Yellville Echo has an exhibit of Marion County turnips in its office that eclipses anything ever seen in this county. The collection numbers five and their aggregate weight totals 30 pounds. Two weigh six pounds each, two five pounds each and one eight pounds.

Potatoes Shaped Like Snakes.

WAXHOWN, N. C., Dec. 15.—The Rev. T. C. Irby of the Howie mine was in town recently with two peculiar sweet potatoes. The potatoes looked like two big snakes. One was 24 inches long and the other was 21, each being about one and one-half inches in diameter.

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PLAYER OPPOSES LAZARUS' PLAN TO EMPLOY IDLE

Comptroller Will Not Attempt to Find Money to Give Work to More Than 500 Men.

The plan of acting Mayor Sam Lazarus for the city to find work this winter for as many unemployed men as possible, will be opposed by Comptroller Player at a meeting of department heads with Lazarus today.

Player said after a conference yesterday called by Lazarus, that the city was facing a deficit this year, the first since 1901, and it could not reasonably attempt to employ more men than it actually needs for necessary operations, until the next fiscal year, commencing in April.

In the conference Player said he would not undertake to find money for the employment of more than 500 men at wages of \$1.50 or \$2 a day, for more than 30 days. The streets and water divisions of the city government have dismissed 500 men of this class in December, because the appropriations were not ample to carry them.

It has been customary to lay off great numbers of men in the Street Commissioner's office today, when cold weather arrives and makes certain kinds of work either unnecessary or impossible.

Slater and other department heads will submit lists of laborers they could use during the winter if money is provided. Lazarus asked that such lists be submitted and predicted the city could find some means of raising the money if it adopts that policy.

Councilman Meekins said yesterday that he would introduce a bill authorizing a short-term loan for the purpose if it is decided that the men laid off can be employed to advantage by the city.

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25 PER CENT INCREASE IN
INSANE IN INSTITUTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Declaring that while there has been an enormous increase in the number of insane under institutional care in the United States the Census Bureau in a report today states that this in itself is not conclusive proof of an increase of insanity in the general population outside of institutions.

The number of insane reported in institutions increased from 150,151 in 1904 to 187,791 in 1910, an increase of 25 per cent.

In 1904 out of every 100,000 persons in the United States 134 were reported in institutions for the insane; by 1910 the number had increased to 204.

The popular impression that loneliness of country life is an important cause of insanity is not borne out by the statistics, which indicate that the more insanity is due to the stress and strain, the keener competition, the congested conditions and the dissipation of city life.

A partial explanation of the difference between city and country, as regards their contributions to the hospitals for the insane, is found in the statistics of cases of general paralysis and of alcoholic psychosis. Of the total number of persons admitted to hospitals in 1910, 15.8 per cent, or more than one-sixth, were afflicted with one or the other of these diseases.

Klug Testifies
Kratz Made Him
No Bribe Offer

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Klug went on: "I thought he was crazy. He was drunk, anyway. I went on down town, as I was going to do anyway, and he followed me on the car, got off with me at the city hall and asked me to go down on Sixth street with him. He didn't mention Kratz's name to me, either then or when he was at my place. When we got to Sixth street he took me into Kratz's. I said hello to Kratz as we went in, and I think I saw Holdenreid talking to him, but that was all. I had no talk with Kratz."

Klug denied indignantly that he asked whether he could get \$500, instead of \$200, but when questioned further, he said Holdenreid might have suggested the higher figure—he was not sure. He was most positive that Holdenreid did not mention Kratz's name to him.

"Holdenreid is known, in the Tenth Ward, as a windbag," said Klug on cross-examination. "He had the idea that he was a politician—thought he was responsible for my political existence. It's outrageous for him to say I took his talk seriously, and asked for \$500—a man who has always been as faithful to his constituents as I have."

Some depositions previously made by Klug were shown to him, but did not cause him to alter his testimony, except to say that Holdenreid might have made the \$500 suggestion.

The first testimony in the Kratz case, given yesterday afternoon, was from officers of the Municipal Assembly, to establish the nature of the tax increase bill. A night session was then held, at which three witnesses, whose testimony was intended to establish the fact of communication between Kratz and Klug, were heard.

Two of these witnesses, Otto M. Hines of 344 California avenue and Frank Zykan of 390 Ohio avenue, were expected to testify, as they had done before the grand jury, that Kratz tried to communicate with Klug through them. But both suffered a lapse of memory, and their testimony did not go so far as the State expected.

Reference to the record of their testimony before the grand jury, in which they had said that Kratz asked them about Klug, failed to refresh their memories.

Gen. Pau Gives His Cap
to Bare-Headed Soldier

One-Armed French Commander Endears Himself to Troops by Acts of Self-Sacrifice at the Front.

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 25.—Here is a little incident of the daily life of Gen. Pau, a hero of the Franco-Prussian War, in which he lost an arm:

A dozen French infantrymen, mud-begrimed, are resting in a drizzling rain on the wayside under the dripping trees. The Corporal sits and tries in vain to light his pipe, at intervals sniffing lustily.

Suddenly the Corporal stands erect: the pipe is hidden behind his back and he makes a hasty salute. Through the fog and rain one of the three great leaders of the French army has appeared.

"Why do you not wear your cap?" asks Gen. Pau.

"I have lost my cap, General."

"Where did you lose it?"

"When we were attacked in the woods this morning. A branch knocked it off and I was too much in a hurry to go

back and get it. It is gone."

The Corporal fears the end of things: he will be punished for losing his cap. "Take it, I tell you, and wear it," says the General.

And the humble Corporal does as he is told and becomes resplendent. Bro. 2 in the cap emblazoned with the glorious golden oak leaves.

The General draws rein and canters away.

Since that day the Corporal marches along the country roads to the frontier proud in the cap of Gen. Pau.

"The General himself told me to wear it," he says to those who protest. "I obey the General's orders."

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FRANCE WILL NOT
INTERFERE WITH
COTTON CARGOES

Bryan Says One Obstacle to Supplying Foreign Demand Is Lack of American Ships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—France, in a note to the State Department through Ambassador Jusserand, today gave assurances that she would not interfere in any manner with American cotton shipments either to belligerent or neutral countries.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, advised the State Department yesterday that his Government was willing to forego the exercise of the right of search of vessels carrying cargo from American ports if the shipmasters would confer with the British Consuls at the ports of departure and satisfy them as to the neutral character of their cargoes.

Unless this is done, cargo ships will be subject to the ordinary rules of war, and may be searched on the high seas or taken to the nearest British port for that purpose if it is impracticable to get at the whole cargo otherwise.

Secretary Bryan, in a statement today on the cotton situation, said:

"The one practical obstacle to the supplying of the demand for the scarcity of American boats. The Holland-American Line has refused to accept shipments of cotton to Rotterdam and the fact that American boats are required under the conditions imposed by Germany in the raising of the embargo to bring back dysentery, typhoid, cholera, etc., makes the demand for American bottoms greater than the supply."

Ambassador Gerard at Berlin informs the State Department that there is practically an unlimited market for cotton in Germany, so that as many as 2,000,000 bales can be disposed of in the empire in 1915. From Vienna comes a report that 800,000 bales can find a market in Austria-Hungary. Gerard says the price of cotton in Germany ranges from 13 to 15 cents a pound after allowing 2 cents a pound for insurance, freight and other charges.

Ambassador Page at Rome has informed the State Department that Italy is in the market for cotton. Officials, therefore, hope for a speedy restoration of the trade to a normal basis.

Warships to Be
Sent to Canal to
Keep Neutrality

Full Report From Goethals Will Determine How Many Will Be Dispatched.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Wilson and his Cabinet have decided to send American warships to the Canal Zone to guard against violations of neutrality there by belligerent ships. How many ships and whether destroyers or cruisers or battleships shall be dispatched will be determined after a full report has been received from Col. Goethals.

Both Secretary Garrison and Secretary Daniels made it clear that the delay in acting on the request of Col. Goethals for two destroyers was due to a lack of information.

The probability is that some of the cruisers now on the west coast of Mexico will be sent to the zone, instead of destroyers.

At the British embassy it was suggested that the British colliers which are alleged to have been using their wireless within the territorial waters of the canal zone may not have received word of the canal regulations on this point, as these only reached London yesterday. British officers state that Great Britain has no objection whatever to the enforcement by the United States of the wireless regulations which the latter has proclaimed.

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BOY THIEF VALUES BIBLE

11-Year-Old Found in Chicago After Robbing Parents.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Policeman Michael Hurley pulled him from underneath a hot air fan in the rear of a building at Dearborn and Madison streets—tragedy, dirty, unkempt boy of 11 years.

He was led into the Central Station. Sgt. Dick Brennan found a siletto in his pocket and a 2-cent Bible. The boy told them he was Walter Tofel, and said he lived at 618 Harland street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Six weeks ago he stole \$75 which he had found underneath the mattress. He had spent it all on clothes, candy and carfare. For the last five weeks he has been begging and seeking his food in refuse boxes.

He wouldn't account for the dagger, but he said the Bible was the only thing he had that he would not care to lose.

Col. F. D. Meier Dies.

Col. E. D. Meier, 72 years old, president of the Heine Safety Boiler Co., died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Schevill, in New York City. He had been sick for several weeks of a complication of diseases. Col. Meier, a veteran of the Civil War, had lived in New York for 30 years. He was a brother of Theodore C. Meier, treasurer of the Heine Boiler Co., who died in August.

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CREVE COEUR CAR KILLS MAN

Archie Ferguson, 70, Was Crossing Tracks at Walton Road.

Archie Ferguson, 70 years old, of Midland Heights, St. Louis County, was killed by an eastbound car on the Creve Coeur line at Walton road at 6 o'clock last night as he tried to cross the tracks after alighting from a westbound car. He formerly was wealthy and resided in Texas. He had been in St. Louis and was returning to Midland Heights, where he resided with J. F. Cronin.

William C. Donnelly of 396 St. Ferdinand avenue, the motorman, told the police that Ferguson walked from behind a westbound car on the eastbound track and that it was impossible to stop the car in time to prevent it from striking him. Ferguson's body was taken to the Cronin home at Midland Heights, where a funeral will be held tomorrow.



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No one is authorized to solicit money for the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund. Give contributions only to persons you know to be reliable. Contributions and list collections should be sent by check to the Post-Dispatch Christmas Fund or by messenger to the Cashier of the Post-Dispatch.

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THEATER TO GIVE PART OF RECEIPTS TO THE FESTIVAL

The Shenandoah to Divide Proceeds From "Quickands" Thursday Evening.

"QUICKANDS" is the name of Lewis B. Ely's play, which is appearing at the Shenandoah Theater, Shenandoah and Grand avenues. On Thursday evening one-half the receipts will go to the Christmas Festival Fund. The generous offer was received yesterday. In the following letter:

We take great pleasure in making you the following proposition. We tender you one-half of the proceeds of the Shenandoah Theater for Thursday evening, the 17th instant, for the benefit of the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund. This is indeed a very worthy charity and one that during this hard and unusual season will be needed more than heretofore.

The play that is appearing at the Shenandoah this week is that intensely strong dramatic production, "The Quickands," written by Mr. Lewis B. Ely of this city. We have very much to say about this play. It is a masterpiece. Our regular prices of admission are as follows: First seats, \$5.00; balcony seats, 25c; orchestra seats, 10c. The play is a masterpiece. First seats are producing the play. It is the greatest success in America.

Any person purchasing a ticket for this evening will contribute to the Christmas Festival Fund and pass a most enjoyable evening. Yours very truly,

SHENANDOAH THEATER CO.
By Wm. J. Flynn, General Manager.

Entertainment for Tiny Tims.

One of the beautiful features of the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival at the Coliseum on Christmas afternoon will be the entertainment of all the crippled children in St. Louis who would otherwise have no part in the joy of the day. There is a society in St. Louis known as the Tiny Tim Society—after the great hearted little fellow created and immortalized by Dickens. This society is one of the many charitable organizations which are co-operating with the Christmas Festival Association. Previous to last Christmas it worked independently in trying to bring brightness into the lives of the afflicted, but its officers found that through co-operation with the Christmas Festival greater good could be accomplished.

A special section of the Coliseum arena will be set apart for the afflicted children so that they can be protected from the cold, which they are often heading in their movements.

Persons knowing of Tiny Tims who may be unknown to the society—little girls or boys who should be invited to this part of the arena—any of the Tiny Tims themselves who wish to attend, are asked to write at once to Miss Sara Elizabeth Edwards, chairman of the Tiny Tim Committee, in care of the Post-Dispatch. Two tickets will be sent for each Tiny Tim, thus enabling the mother, or other guardian, to accompany the child.

The second annual entertainment given for the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund by Mrs. Nellie Paulding Helms and her pupils takes place Monday, Dec. 21, 8:15 p. m., at Henneman Hall, 2723 Olive street. An enjoyable program, consisting of piano and vocal solos and duets and recitations, and closing with a double piano quartet, will be given.

Packing Christmas Baskets.

The Christmas baskets, which are to be sent to families reported to the Christmas Festival Association by all the charitable societies of St. Louis, will be packed by the Basket Committee in the building at the northeast corner of Twelfth and Locust streets. This building is the property of W. H. Bixby, who, through his agents, the Hubbrook-Black, welder Real Estate Trust Co., generously donated its use for this purpose.

Assembly of stores to fill the baskets is already under way and in a few days the ample floor space of this commodious, well-lighted building, will be crowded with workers filling the baskets with the food on which all the needy families will feast on Christmas day. All applications for baskets must be in the hands of the committee on or before Dec. 15. A list of localities where applications are received is given in a box accompanying this article.

A Box Party.

The Misses Gibbons, 4669 Greer avenue, gave a box party for the Christmas Festival Fund. The guests and contributors were:

Mr. and Mrs. Kaitzel Jr., Marcella Kaiser, Wilbur Scheller, Mary Ellis, M. N. Kutz, L. Andreas, C. Dittmar, William Keil, Fred A. Junge, Mae Le Temp, Ruth Griger, Geo. French, Mary Blum, Edna Martin, Frieda Martin, Clara Andrews, Fred C. Fischer.

The total amount collected was \$14.35.

Contributors \$300.

A contribution of \$300 has been received from the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association, with the following letter:

We take pleasure in closing our check No. 14,444 for \$300 as our contribution toward your Christmas Festival Fund. We trust that your response have been numerous and generous to enable you to carry on this noble work. Very truly yours,

ANHEUSER-BUSCH CITY DEPT.,
RICHARD ANHEUSER, Manager.

The Friday Club which consists of B. F. Bowles, J. R. Cullinane, D. E. King, C. L. Stange, G. A. Held, R. Haffer, Clemen H. Laessig, J. A. Mara and Philip Hoffman sends \$3.50 as its contribution to this fund.

More than a million persons will die in the United States and Canada during 1915. You may be one of them. Let me show you how you can continue your salary to your loved ones every month as long as they live. G. W. Taylor, New York Life Insurance Co., 700 Dolph Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

Pittsburg's Leper Dies.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—Yoe Tom, 45, Pittsburg's only leper, died at the municipal hospital here last night. He was stricken about four years ago and since that time had lived under guard in a shanty near the hospital.

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WOMAN 24 INCHES TALL DIES
Miss Florence Tate, 45, Was Considered Smallest of Sex in Illinois.
Miss Florence Tate, considered the smallest woman in Illinois and one of the smallest in the country, died yesterday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Tate, in Granite City. She was 45 years old. She was 24 inches tall and weighed 57 pounds.

She was the eldest of a family of six children. All of the other children were of normal height. Her father and mother were above the average height. She had refused many offers of employment with shows. She had been active in religious work, particularly in missionary and temperance societies. The greater part of her time was occupied in doing art needlework.

NEVADA'S CHIEF JUSTICE NAGGED HER, WIFE SAYS
Friends of Mrs. Sweeney Reveal Details of "Cruelty" Charges in Secret Divorce Suit.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
CARSON CITY, Nev., Dec. 16.—Friends of Mrs. Mabel Trembath Sweeney, who is suing Chief Justice Sweeney of the Nevada Supreme Court for divorce, have told some of the details of her charges of cruelty against the youngest member of a State Supreme bench.

According to friends, Mrs. Sweeney alleges in the complaint filed in court that ever since 1904 her husband has used improper language to her and has nagged her before others. She avers that last July, at a dinner, she left the table to escape such an experience. She asserts that her husband failed to provide her with funds necessary to her daily home expenses and that her remonstrances have proven useless.

Mrs. Sweeney says his actions have caused her untold suffering of mind and body and that she fears a continuance of such conditions would ruin her life. Mrs. Sweeney asserts she has had extremely trying experiences with her husband for several years and that conditions becoming steadily worse, she felt compelled to take legal action.

Last month, at a conference between them, she says, she copied several statements he then made wherein he expressed his desire that she should not remain in Carson City. At one time he declared what punishment he would inflict upon his little daughter if she should ever permit her pet saddle pony to walk on the lawn of his adjacent property, she alleges.

He once told her when they were together in a room at home, she says, that the "quicker I got out the better."

She declares she has always been a faithful wife and that he knows this to be a fact. She asks the custody of their child and for a reasonable share of their property. Sweeney, she asserts, has accumulated large means since their marriage.

Both Judge Sweeney and Mrs. Sweeney are in Carson City. Sweeney is expected to make an answer of denial this week. Mrs. Sweeney has also asked for an injunction to prevent her husband from disposing of any property held in his name or any community property. This request will be heard on Dec. 24. Since filing the petition Mrs. Sweeney has declined to make a statement and her husband has kept silent. The daughter, Alice Louise, is with Mrs. Sweeney. The property involved is said to be worth \$80,000 to \$100,000. They were married in Virginia City, Dec. 14, 1902.

It is said that Judge Sweeney has agreed as to the custody of the child. It is generally understood she will live with her mother. It is also said he has agreed to an adjustment of the property.

WIFE WHO SAVES MONEY DOESN'T OWN CENT OF IT

Justice Rules That Household Economics Give Her No Right to Husband's Earnings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Supreme Court Justice Blackmar held in a decision yesterday in Brooklyn that the economy of a wife in saving part of the money given her by her husband for the family maintenance does not make her owner of a cent of the fund so saved. The decision was in the suit of Charles S. Montgomery Jr. against Mrs. Emma Lee Montgomery. The evidence showed that years ago the Montgomerys started a joint bank account. Every week she saved a part of the money her husband gave her for household uses. In November last there was on deposit \$618.

Then the couple quarreled, and when Montgomery tried to draw the money he discovered the wife had stopped payment. In deciding that the bank account is Montgomery's property, Justice Blackmar wrote: "I regret to say that our law has not reached the point of holding that property which is the joint result of the earnings of the husband and the economies of the wife is their joint property."

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FREE CHRISTMAS SYMPHONY

Executive Committee Meets to Plan Concert for Dec. 29.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Symphony Society was called at Faust's today to perfect plans for the free Christmas concert to be given by the Symphony Orchestra. Max Zach conducting in the Coliseum Tuesday evening, Dec. 29. Everything necessary for giving the concert has been donated, from the building itself to the work of posting the advertising matter, and the committee hopes to make the event the greatest possible success.

James E. Smith, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, yesterday appointed Mrs. Philip N. Moore and Mrs. Max A. Goldstein, directors of the Symphony Society, a committee to visit all the charity institutions of the city to invite their wards to the concert.

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Give Glove or Merchandise Certificate if in Doubt.	Cut Glass Vases, \$2.95 and \$4.95 Worth \$5.00 to \$10.00 We have about 100 Cut Glass Vases—10 and 12 inches high—in floral and miter cuttings and in many lovely designs and shapes. These Vases are all of the high-grade quality of cut glass such as you are accustomed to purchasing at Vandervoort's and they are worth from \$5.00 to \$10.00 each. As a special holiday attraction, we have arranged to offer them in two groups at \$2.95 and \$4.95 The above items are but one of many holiday specials to be found in this department at Vandervoort's. Fourth Floor.	Order Your Christmas Candies Now is the time to leave your orders with us for Christmas Candies. They will be delivered upon any date specified and will be the best for the price no matter what the price. Agents for Huyler's and Ten Broek's Candies We wish to call your special attention to the fact that we are sole agents in Saint Louis for the celebrated Huyler Candies, and that we also carry a splendid line of the well-known Ten Broek's Candies at all times. First Floor.

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BIG FOUR ROAD FOUND GUILTY IN ANTI-SMOKE CASE

Jury Assesses Fine of \$25 When Charge Is Not Denied—Appeal Notice Given.

When the Big Four Railroad Co. went to trial in Judge Hogan's police court today, on a charge of violating the smoke ordinance on Nov. 2, difficulty was experienced in getting a jury. W. Thomas, real estate dealer, of 717 Chestnut street, was excused after saying that he would not convict the defendant under the smoke ordinance, regardless of the evidence, because he considered the ordinance unjust. He said he was once a defendant under a former smoke ordinance, as agent for an apartment house, and that, while the case was dismissed, he formed an unfavorable opinion of the ordinance at that time.

Joseph E. Lawton, former Speaker of the House of Delegates, was chosen as a juror, but said he wished to make a statement, "in justice to both sides." It was decided that he had not the right to make a statement, though he might ask questions. He said he had no questions to ask.

The allegation is that a Big Four locomotive emitted dense smoke in the railroad yards near Fifteenth and Gratiot streets, from 3:21 to 3:32 p. m., Nov. 2. John E. Bowcock was present as special counsel for the Building Commissioner, who is now head of the smoke campaign, and Sam McChesney Jr. and Matt Holland represented the railroad.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty and assessed a \$25 fine as the penalty. The company filed notice of an appeal.

In defending the case the company did not deny that the locomotive emitted smoke. The defense was that the engine was so large that it was necessary to start a fire in it three hours before it was scheduled to leave the yards. The engine was equipped with a smoke consumer, but this could not be used while steam was being raised, witnesses for the company said, as it was a cooling effect on the boiler.

8-HOUR DAY FOR FIREMEN IS VOTED BY DELEGATES

Measure If Put Into Effect Would Cost Taxpayers \$1,000,000 a Year.

A bill was passed in the House of Delegates last night, putting the Fire Department on an eight-hour day, or three-platoon system, in order to conform to the interpretation by the House of the eight-hour section in the new charter. It would cost taxpayers an additional \$1,000,000 a year.

Delegate James F. Ford offered a resolution directing that Director of Public Safety Swingley enforce the eight-hour rule in the Fire Department, in accordance with the section of the charter which reads: "Except in case of emergency, no fireman shall be required to work more than eight hours in any one day, and no fireman shall constitute a day's work for all mechanics and laborers employed by the city."

Swingley has opposed the three-platoon system for many years, and said today it would mean the employment of double the 88 now in the department, to operate on the eight-hour basis. The pay of privates in the department is \$106 a month, and the annual pay roll at present approximates \$1,000,000. The men work 24 hours a day and have every third day off. To operate three platoons with no off days would require double the force, without increasing the number on duty at any hour.

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USES PISTOL TO FORCE CREDIT FROM GROCERS

Debtor Arrested After T. Merchants Are Forced to Give Up Goods.

Fred Nickolaus of 1270 South Third street used a revolver in his attempt to obtain extension of credit at two grocery stores last night. He went first to Mrs. Annie Lucko's store at 1290 South Third street, where his unpaid bill amounts to \$30, and asked for milk, butter and oranges, a nickel's worth of each. When Mrs. Lucko demanded cash for the articles and refused to add them to his bill, Nickolaus pointed his revolver at her and walked out with the articles. He repeated the performance, with 20 cents' worth of groceries, at Mark J. Lucko's store, 1266 South Third street, where Jijusko had refused to give him further credit, his bill already being \$10. He was arrested soon after leaving Jijusko's place, and said he had taken violent means of getting the articles of food, because his wife and 4-day-old baby needed them. When asked why he had not sold his revolver, he said that he had not sold his revolver, he said that might have thought of it if he had not been drinking.

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\$400,000 for Old People's Club.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Two-thirds of the \$800,000 estate of the late William H. Goddard, real estate dealer and philanthropist, is to be used to found an Old People's Club, according to the provisions of the will probated yesterday. The remaining third of the estate is bequeathed to the widow, who said she was satisfied with her share. Goddard's son, Arthur, who lived in St. Louis, was killed in an automobile accident early last year.

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\$2.50 Silver Manicure Set, 5 pieces in box	\$2.00	\$3.75 Imported Shaving Stand	\$3.00
\$5.00 Silver Military Brush Sets	\$3.00	\$5.00 Imported Shaving Stand	\$3.75
\$1.50 Silver Pin and Jewel Boxes	\$1.00	\$3.50 Silver Jewel Box with Mirror	\$2.25
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75c Brass Ash Trays	.60c	\$12.00 French Ivory Toilet Sets	\$7.50
\$9.00 French Ivory Brush Sets for men, 3 pieces	\$6.50	French Ivory Toilet and Manicure Sets	\$10.00
		\$20.00 French Ivory Toilet and Manicure Sets	\$12.50
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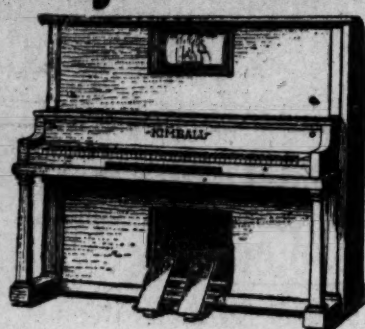
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SANTA CLAUS IS TO VISIT BERLIN DESPITE THE WAR

Stores Filled With Christmas
Gifts and Trees and Decora-
tions Are Plentiful.

Correspondence of the Associated Press.
BERLIN, Nov.—The stores of the city have already begun to announce a message of comfort for the people. This message is that, despite war, embargo and hard times, Santa Claus is expected to put in his appearance at the usual time. He may not bring quite so much in his pack as in past years, but he will bring something and there is ground for rejoicing in that, for thousands of persons have feared that Christmas this year would mean nothing more than two figures on the calendar.

The Christmas trade has begun somewhat earlier than usual, since so many persons know that the field post, with the late intentions in the world, will need all the time it can get to bring gifts to the soldiers in the field.

A war time feature is the opening of an elaborate exposition of "what the soldier needs in the field."

Military Toys Plentiful.

There is a surprising range of things that must have been manufactured since the war began, going from condensed foods and drinks to elaborate sleeping sacks and including literally hundreds of ingenious devices to make the field duty of the soldier comfortable.

A round of the larger stores shows that regular ante-Christmas picture in all departments. Perhaps the only difference is in the stocks of military toys, which are rather larger than usual.

Regiment upon regiment of toy soldiers appear, all uniformed in the new "field gray," and drums, guns, swords, tin uniforms, cuirasses and soldier caps, always prominent in the top departments, take up more space than in peace times.

A large proportion of the books deal also with the war.

Business, too, is good, according to the verdict of the principal stores of the city.

Orphans to Be Remembered.

Christmas trees, fir, pine and balsam have been arriving for several days, and evergreen trimmings are beginning to appear in shop windows.

The idea of the Christmas tree came from Germany, and no home would think of being without one on Christmas, whether there were any presents to accompany it or not.

In one respect, it will be more nearly like the old-fashioned Christmas than for many years. There will be more home-made toys, garments, etc., and domestic fruits will take the place of various tropical products which are either very dear or not to be had at all.

Provision is being made for the thousands of homes desolated by the war. Relief associations are springing up everywhere to see that the orphans of the war shall not be forgotten. It will, of course, be a sad Christmas. That cannot be helped, but whatever can be done to make it less sad is being done.

Christmas Trees in Squares.

The city squares are filled with Christmas trees.

The American kitchen, which is under the auspices of the American Association of Commerce and Trade is preparing for an extensive distribution of practical gifts among Berlin's poor.

The American residents are giving generously to the many collections which are being taken up for the soldiers in the field. Large quantities of presents already are going to the front.

The Princess Adalbert, wife of the third son of Emperor William, has surprised the families of the men serving aboard her husband's battleship, the Kaiser, by sending each a large package of useful presents.

GOING home for Christmas? The folks who want to see the prosperous unless you want a diamond. Let's see and Co. will let you, 24 hours, 306 N. 6th. Open evenings.

INSURANCE COMMISSION MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS

State Fire Marshal New Missouri Office Suggested in Report to Legislature.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 16.—The Missouri Insurance Commission, appointed by Gov. Major to recommend insurance legislation to the General Assembly, which convenes Jan. 6, yesterday submitted its report. The commission recommends:

The creation of the position of State Fire Marshal to have supervision over fire prevention matters and to aid in detecting and prosecuting persons guilty of arson.

Compulsory teaching of fire prevention in public schools.

Law giving Insurance Commissioner power to compel companies to reduce rates if he finds rates are too high.

Law authorizing companies to maintain a public rating bureau.

Law placing rating bureaus under supervision of State Superintendent of Insurance.

Law requiring companies to report to State Superintendent not only total premiums, losses and expenses, but also total earnings on unearned premiums, capital and surplus.

That the commissioner be empowered to revoke the license of any agent found to be unreliable.

That all policies be countersigned by agents living in the district of the insured property.

That reciprocal and interinsurance companies be placed under the supervision of the Insurance Commissioner.

Have You Seen the Change in Oakleaf the place for novelty center Chocolates and Bonbons. 512 Locust.

Ohio Teachers' Union Upheld. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 16.—The Ohio Supreme Court yesterday refused to review a suit against J. M. H. Fredericks, superintendent of Cleveland public schools, involving the question of the right of teachers to form unions. This lower court held that teachers have a right to organize.

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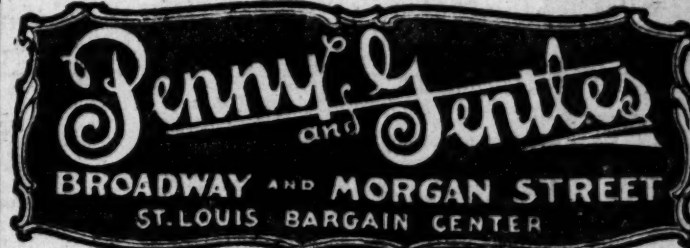
Merchandise is marked at lower prices here because we are out of the high rent district; our overhead expenses are less than any other department store in St. Louis, and BECAUSE we are satisfied with a minimum profit. Shop at the "BARGAIN CENTER"—IT MEANS A SAVING.

Cut Prices on Silks

For Thursday Only

40c Black Velvet	25c	\$1.48 40-inch silk and wool navy Poplin	69c
50c Silk Mince	10c	80c yard-wide Black Poplin	58c
75c all-silk Messallines	47c	80c yard-wide Black Messallines	59c

Main Floor.



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COATS! SUITS!**

Values up to \$15—Thursday

THE most sensational offer presented by any coat or suit house this season—a bold statement but one backed by the merchandise. 500 garments—300 Coats and 200 Suits—Coats are made of fancy mixtures, serges, chevrons and astrakhan, satin-lined, latest styles, including loose college and belted effects; Suits are made of wool materials in this season's styles; Coats are satin-lined. Not a garment in the lot ever sold before for less than \$10, and most are \$15 values. Thursday.....

Heavy Winter Coats.....\$2.98
\$25.00 Suits—now.....\$12.50
\$17.50 Coats—now.....\$9.98

FURS! FURS! FURS!

YOU save \$1 to \$10 on any Fur purchased here. Mink Sets, Wolf Sets, Fox Sets, Coney Sets, Civet Sets; separate Muffs or Neckpieces; all grades at \$25.00 down to.....

Second Floor.

Child's Drawer Leggings
Knit, gray, white and red shades.
50c
Second Floor.

Women's Black Petticoats
Of good quality, satin lined.
49c
Second Floor.

75c Cork Linoleum
Room size, remains of genuine Cork Linoleum.
29c
Third Floor.

\$3.00 Carpet Sweepers
Finest quality hair brush.
\$1.49
Third Floor.

25c Silk Gingham
Beautiful designs; fast colors; very special.
12c
Basement.

12c Cheviot Gingham
The very best quality made; reduced, yd.
7c
Basement.

Collar Boxes
Made of soft leather, shapes as illustrated; one of the most useful gifts for men at \$1.29, 98c and 75c.
49c

Shaving Stand
Complete with nickel handle brush and pot; extra mirror; value, each.
69c

BED COMFORTS
200 full size double Bed Comforts; light and dark colors; white cotton filled; on sale Thursday.....
98c
\$1.50

TOYS AND DOLLS REDUCED

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Doll Cradles,
white enameled,

25c

Doll Beds, with
springs

49c

\$3.00 Swinging
Hobby Horse
like cut, leather
saddle and
bridle, painted
a dapple gray.

\$3.69

\$1.00 Child's
Rockers.

75c

\$1.50 Child's
Rockers.

98c

40c nice
Dressed Dolls;
like bisque
head, long
curls.

25c

75c imitation
Kid Dolls;
jointed hip,
moving eyes.

49c

75c Friction Toy Engine,
like cut.....

49c

\$10.00 Child's China
Cupboard; reduced.

\$5.98

60c Child's Red Desk
Chair.....

39c

\$3.00 Boys' Hand-Car;
special.

\$2.39

\$1.45 Folding
Go-Cart with
hood.

\$1.00

50c Go-Carts.

50c

\$1.50 full
Jointed Doll; bisque
head, sewed wig,
moving eyes.....

98c

\$2.00 Jointed Dolls;
sewed wig, shoes
and stockings.....

\$1.39

\$3.50 full Jointed Dolls;
sewed wig, natural eye-
lashes, wood
joints.....

\$1.88

75c Iron Train; tender and three cars;
special.

49c

\$15.00, \$16.50 and \$18.00
Sample Dolls; 35, 39 and
42 inches high;
reduced to.....

\$10.50

\$3.00 Punch Bowl Set—8 Pieces for 98c

Heating Stoves
\$2.00 Heating Stove, the best heat in town.
98c
\$5.95 Coal Stove will keep fire over night; coal saving at \$3.45.
\$3.45
\$5.00 50c genuine Cut Glass Salt and Pepper Shakers.
19c
\$1.50 genuine Cut Glass Vinegar or Oil Bottles.
69c
\$4.50 genuine Cut Glass Fern Dish.
\$1.95
\$4.50 Tea Set; 21 full size pieces; handsome pattern.
\$1.95
Basement.

Dinner Sets
A Special Sale
\$6.50 Dinner Sets; 48 full size pieces, in 8 different patterns; each piece, gold traced; extra.
\$4.44
\$12 Dinner Sets; 100 pieces; in various decorations; on special sale.
69c
\$2.50 Jap Vases; extra large size.
\$1.25
All Japanese Vases Reduced to Price
59c Jap Vases, special.
29c
\$1 Jap Vases, special.
49c
\$1.25 Jap Vases; on special sale.
69c
\$2.50 Domes; \$5.98
\$13 Domes; \$6.98
\$25 Domes; \$8.98

Domes for Gas or Electric
Half Price and Less
\$8.00 Domes; \$2.98
\$10 Domes; \$3.98
\$12.50 Domes; \$5.98
\$13 Domes; \$6.98
\$25 Domes; \$8.98

75c Iron Train tender and three cars;
special.
49c

Women! Don't let another day of this stupendous opportunity slip past. Thousands of women buying wearing apparel for themselves, for their friends—for months to come; 8235 women have supplied their needs in the few days since this sale opened.

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MAJ. GEN. WOOD ADVOCATES A STRONG RESERVE ARMY

Ridicules Idea of Organizing Forces
After War Has Been Declared.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—"You might as well, under modern war conditions, try to organize a big reserve without previous preparation as to try to organize a life-saving service on a shipwrecked vessel that is going to pieces," said Major-General Wood in an address to the Merchants' Association here yesterday.

"The undeveloped war resources of the United States would do just as much good in the event of war as would an undeveloped gold mine in Alaska with a panic on in Wall street," Gen. Wood vigorously advocated a strong reserve army, and urged extensive training of the youth of the country to bear arms. H. L. Stimson, former Secretary of War, also advocated a reserve system.

Marconi to Be Senator.
ROME, Dec. 15.—It is announced that William Marconi is among those who will be appointed Senators New Year's day by King Victor Emmanuel.

FARRIS TO LEAD FIGHT TO WRECK MAJOR MACHINE

Governor's Pet Measures Face
Stormy Time in the House
Politicians Say.

By a Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 15.—Observers of political events see rocky shoals ahead of Gov. Farris's ship of state during the coming session of the Legislature, which convenes Jan. 4. Frank H. Farris, representative from Phelps County, is the member who is expected to wreck the Major machine.

Farris has for several months been outspoken in his opposition to the Governor. He has characterized several other of the State officers as "the smallest of the Democratic party has ever had in office." He has told his friends that he doesn't owe Major or anybody else anything, that he has not one "pet" measure which he desires to see passed, and that there is no tie which will prevent him from voting and working as he pleases.

This announcement of his attitude is construed by his friends and by the friends of the administration as amounting to almost a declaration of war.

Democratic Majority Only 5.
Farris is conceded by his friends and enemies, both of which there are many, to be one of the most resourceful and most successful fighters ever in either branch of the Legislature. In every session in which he has served he has had from 10 to 20 members on whom he could count to work and vote as he told them to.

In the next House, of which Farris will be a member, the Democrats have a majority of only five votes. If Farris should throw his influence against the Governor, politicians say, there is little doubt that he can prevent the passage of the Governor's pet measures.

It is not thought probable that Farris would be able to obtain the passage of measures opposed by the Governor, but on that proposition, he says, there are no measures which he particularly favors.

The exact strength of Major with the Democrats has not been developed, though it is known that there are many other members besides Farris who have not forgotten the Major-Cowherd campaign, and who will oppose the Governor.

Farris discussed with a Post-Dispatch reporter the report that he would oppose the Governor. He said: "I am going to the Legislature absolutely free of all ties. I don't owe Gov. Major or anybody else a solitary thing. If the Governor has any measures which appeal to me, I shall support them, of course, but if they don't appeal to me I shall not hesitate to fight them. Just because they are backed by a man who has been elected Governor on the Democratic ticket is no reason why I should support them."

What Have Any Bills.
"I will not take a position where I shall have to aid other members in order to get votes for my bills, because I won't have any bills that I care particularly about."

The support Farris will receive from Senators in his district will not be determined until the session is under way. In the Senate will be William H. Phelps of Carthage and John F. Morton of Richmond, both of whom have long been friends of Farris. It is predicted, however, that Phelps will be rather close to the Major machine, as his principal object in life just now is to have Carthage stone used in the new capitol, and it is not expected that he will antagonize the administration.

Morton will be an enigma. He is as resourceful and shrewd as Farris was, they are warm personal friends. Morton was for Cowherd for Governor, and is not overly friendly to Major, but he has not indicated how he will line up in the Senate.

Senator Wallace Crossley of Warrensburg is another leader in the Senate who is a Cowherd man, and is not particularly friendly to the Governor.

This known opposition, coupled with the facts that the Governor is entering on his last year of term, practically all of his appointments have been made, and he has few favors to extend in return for favors, leads wise political heads to the prediction that the Governor will not have smooth sailing with his pet measures.

BUMP OF HEAD RESTORES SIGHT

Man Blind 9 Years Can See After Striking Bedpost.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Blind for nine years and practically sightless for nine years before that, Frank H. Haynes of Hyde Park, once a famous horse racer, now can see. Arising from bed yesterday morning, his head struck the bedpost. A few minutes later he could see as well as ever.

"When I awoke," he said, "I sat up in bed, then stooped over to grope for my shoes. In doing this I struck the post of the bed. Soon I noticed what appeared to be a shadow of my hand. Then I saw the whole room."

The Holidays.
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Escaped Life Prisoner Caught.
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Leon Smith, who escaped last July from the Penitentiary at Columbus, O., where he was serving a life sentence for murder, was arrested in a Bowery lodging house here yesterday. A man who knew him in prison recognized him on the street and informed the police.

Scarfs and Waists hemstitched while you wait. Plume Co., 620 N. Broadway.

Self-Denial Aids the Poor.
BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Self-denial was observed yesterday by thousands of Baltimoreans who denied themselves luxuries in order to contribute to the community relief fund for the poor.

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Complete range of such favored shades as black, navy, wine, Copenhagen, green and brown. Every dress brand-new—positive \$10 values, for

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The very newest styles in splendid quality Boots—patent or dull leathers, with fawn, gray or black cloth tops—new Stage Last—also the much desired Baby Doll Boots. A variety of shoe fashions that provides for every requirement, and qualities that are out of the ordinary at this exceedingly low price. You are saving \$1 to \$1.50 on every pair—choice of the entire lot at.....

\$2.45

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Slippers Are Sensible Gifts and They Will Be Appreciated by Everybody

Men's Everett Slippers—Fine soft leather with cushion in sole—on sale at, per pair..... **79c**

Women's Felt Slippers with soft soles—Prettily finished with collar and trimmed with ribbon—per pair..... **98c**

Children's Crochet Slippers—Nice, warm and comfortable—all colors—per pair..... **45c**

Men's Everett and Opera Slippers—Black and tan—fine quality—on sale at, per pair..... **98c**

Women's Felt Slippers—In pretty shades of gray, brown & wine—soft wool in sole—finished with silk pompon—pair..... **69c**

Children's Comfy Slippers—Very pretty designs—a gift that is sure to be appreciated—per pair..... **98c**

Boys' Slippers Like Daddy's Of fine kidskin—hand turned—on sale at, per pair..... **\$1.65**

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Women's Juliets Of Fine Felt With turn soles—leather heels—per pair..... **98c**

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Bracelets.....\$3.00 to \$30.00
Wrist Watches.....\$7.50 to \$90.00
Bar Pins.....\$2.00 to \$45.00
Brooches.....\$2.00 to \$30.00
Rings.....\$2.50 to \$10.00
Vanity Cases.....\$3.75 to \$50.00
Hat Pins.....\$2.00 to \$8.00
Slipper Buckles.....\$2.50 to \$20.00

Gift Suggestions for Men

Scarf Pins.....\$1.00 to \$15.00
Sleeve Buttons.....\$2.50 to \$135.00
Watch Chains.....\$1.00 to \$70.00
Watch Fobs.....\$2.00 to \$225.00
Bings.....\$4.00 to \$55.00
Gold Knives.....\$3.50 to \$20.00
Gold Pencils.....\$1.00 to \$20.00
Match Safes.....\$1.50 to \$65.00
Cigarette Cases.....\$3.50 to \$125.00
Belt Buckles.....\$3.00 to \$18.00
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PASSENGER AND CREW FIGHT

Quarrel Starts When Men in Car. A fight in which two women, their escorts and the car crew figured attracted policemen to a Cherokee car at Ninth and Pine streets about 9:30 o'clock last night. A large crowd was watching the fight.

Before the patrolmen arrived the women and one of the escorts had fled. The second escort, William Robbins, 23 years old, a hickster, of 2423 South Broadway, was arrested. He had several scalp wounds. John Doyle of 3432 Texas ave.

nue, conductor, and David A. Durkey, motorman, of 1808 Iowa avenue, were cut and bruised about the face. The police were told the trouble began when the conductor ordered Robbins to quit smoking a cigarette inside the car.

Two Years for Kidnaping Minor. ROZEMAN, Mont., Dec. 16.—William Winchester, a miner, charged with kidnaping from the St. Lawrence mine in Butte, Aug. 23, Richard O'Brien, a miner, and with aiding in his subsequent deportation, was found guilty here yesterday and sentenced to two years in the State penitentiary.

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PLAYGOERS' GUIDE.

Otis Skinner in "The Silent Voice." Olympia weak, artificial and tiresome drama, full of twaddle and "rot," and unworthy of star and supporting company.

"Damaged Goods." Shubert. Return engagement of Eugene Brieux's drama of disease, for which the claim is made that its story teaches a needed lesson.

"Hunt & Jeff in Mexico." American. Hilarious musical comedy.

"The Gingerbread Man." Park. Successful musical comedy along Christmas pantomime lines. Excellently presented.

"The Quickkinds." Shenandoah. Second week of Lewis & Elly's play, telling interesting story much strengthened since its opening night Thursday evening, benefit of Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund.

Vaudeville. Columbia. Bill headed by Harry Houdini, handkerchief king.

Vaudeville. Grand. Bill headed by the Seven Castells, musicians.

Vaudeville. Hippodrome. Bill headed by the Australian Waiters, in white tuxedos, boomerang and spear feats.

"The Gypsy Maids." Princess. Extravaganza and vaudeville.

"The High Rollers." Standard. Burlesque and vaudeville.

"The Gypsy Girls." Gayety. Burlesque and vaudeville.

Belgian War Pictures. Garlick. Thrilling animated views of actual battlefield scenes in great European conflict.

Photoplays. New Grand Central. "More Than Queen."

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"ACTOIDS" ACT ACTIVELY. For Bowel and Liver Troubles.

BELGIAN MOTION PICTURES CONVEY NEW IDEA OF WAR

Marguerite Martyn Says Realism Portrayed Is Not Apparent in Work of Painters.

ANTWERP SEEN IN FLAMES. Plight of Fleeing Inhabitants Is Pitiful—Battle Scenes Thrilling.

By Marguerite Martyn.

PAINTERS and illustrators strive with all the art they can master to bring home to us the horrors and glories of war. But, accepting the veracity of the camera, as we must, the present European war scenes spread before us at the Garlick Theater, by means of the vifigram every day this week, eliminate most of the great painters as dealers in mere stage, theatrical clap-net. There is a conspicuous absence of the brilliant military accoutrement, of tactical and orderly grouping, of flashing steel and charging steeds, of smoke and cannon, and to which painters resort in order to impress us. But none of these accessories are required in these motion pictures to tell us what we are looking at is war.

One becomes quite intimately acquainted with that smiling, cigarette smoking fellow there not 50 yards in front of us. He waves his hand to us. Then tossing his cigarette away he picks up a shell someone has dropped on the ground, loads his rifle and hurries up the little embankment under some willow trees. We see him place his rifle to his shoulder and lose himself in the group of crouching comrades who are firing with their backs to us.

Presently two arms are thrown up. A figure falls. It is seized and dragged down the slope. Oh, surely, it can't be the chap we knew and liked so well a moment ago. Men with white hands and crosses on their arms stoop over him. We've no time to grieve for another and another picture follows, equally poignant.

Towns Hurriedly Deserted. And there are—motionless pictures equally telling. We come suddenly upon a perfectly quiet street in Alost. No sign of life anywhere. Five or six crumpled bodies of men not in soldiers' uniform, mutely testify to how hurriedly were life, business, homes and even the dear bodies of the dead abandoned in this little street.

Swiftly a boat goes by on a broad expanse of water, out of which tops of houses and trees protrude. The boat is crowded with a seething mass of humans. This might be the River Styx, so many signs of death and desolation are about. Maybe our friend was only wounded or maimed after all. We are transported one-half mile away from the firing line, the caption tells us. It is a street corner of a town. Double and triple decked motor ambulances roll up. Dotted stretchers bearing indefinable burdens are thrust in, ten or twelve into each ambulance.

The men with white hands on their arms move swiftly and without wasting a gesture at the direction of a busy, gesticulating man of evident authority. As one truck makes way for another and moves on. Oh, joy! some hands reach out of those nondescript bundles and wave, albeit somewhat feebly, in response to the evident cheering of some bystanders.

Magically we are elevated to a tower in a city where we may look about at miles of buildings spread below us on all sides. It is a city as broad as St. Louis, surely, but how tightly packed, how closely wedged the buildings. How up into the gabled roofs climb the windows, rows upon rows of them, to the very ridge pole. It is Antwerp, a thriving, bustling center of industry, culture, art, when St. Louis was yet undreamed of. Then we are shown a bridge constructed over night of boats drawn up alongside each other and hordes of people, animals, vehicles are moving over it. Antwerp is burning. Smoke and flames burst from ancient piles, storied towers and tasseled pinacles raised to the praise of God in Antwerp.

Fleeing Inhabitants Seen. An instant and we have a nearer view of the fleeing populace. Three hundred thousand people, I think the legend read, escaped over one bridge.

Women can only run away in times of war, but there are different aspects to running away and it is gratifying to women the world over to see how briskly, how pluckily the oldest and youngest of those Belgian women step along. No faltering to commiserate or commiserate lest one impede or delay the eager droves behind. Many of the women stagger under burdens to test their strength and courage and endurance even as the men on the firing line are tested and in many cases doubtless their aches are not to be so softly nor so mercifully ended. A babe in arms, another clinging to her skirts and other little wooden-shod beings trudging along beside, was the usual thing. Old women dressed in their best bonnets and gowns stepped out beside carts piled high and drawn by rickety horses. Other old women, poorly and thinly clad, struggled beneath greater numbers of bundles piled on their own backs. The poorer their clothes the more properties they seemed to have brought along. Fashionably attired women in furs and cloaks, some in deep mourning, had abandoned their belongings with the hope of buying others. Carriage, often good-sized, were dragged, or pushed by man, woman or child, and many and ingenious were the devices for carrying huge bundles. Shells bursting in the background would cause anxious looks backward, a quickening of pace and added urging of the little ones, but none stopped to weep or to rest.

On we are whisked to the outskirts of some village where a most effective, it would seem, precautionary measure has been taken. An ancient poplar-bordered roadway is torn up any piled up with its own granite paving blocks and strewn with a network of electrified wire.

Presently, in the midst of another

broad sea of water we come upon what apparently a short time ago was somebody's private laundry yard. A maid has waded out to gather in the wash. Not quite accustomed to the situation, she drops some of the garments into the flood. But still she smiles and seems to blame her embarrassment solely on the photographer.

On the firing line again, a group of men are busy showing how rapidly and with what little show of sentiment they can demolish a tile roofed, brick cottage which has stood time and the elements no telling how long and which may have been the home of one of its cheerful destroyers.

It is being razed to make way for Belgian artillery. In another instant, scarcely 200 yards away from us, a "Busy Berlin" is showing how much more quickly and effectively an equally picturesque cottage may be demolished, if left to the enemy.

As vividly and intimately as we have been taken into these scenes, a distinct sense of safety and security in one's St. Louis home is the after effect, with one's own woes shrunken and minimized by comparison until one is ashamed to own them. If one could only reach out and help as readily as one has beheld and sympathized with these people in their desolation!

While in this mood it is well to remember that there is suffering nearer at hand, suffering relatively greater than usual at this season because of one-half the world is at war. It is consoling to feel that, incidentally, one has contributed 25 cents at least toward the relief of poverty and misery. A percentage of the proceeds of the pictures being shown every day this week from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. go to swell the Post-Dispatch Christmas Fund to assure the poor and ill and old or helpless of all the city at least one big, bright day.

La Salle Candy Shop, 84way & Olive. For Pure Xmas Candies at popular prices. See our complete line of Fancy Boxes and Baskets at reasonable prices.

W. S. Rex in Bankruptcy Court. William S. Rex, former Democratic City Committeeman from the Twenty-eighth Ward, yesterday filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. Rex listed his liabilities as \$48,796.51, and his assets as \$10,300.

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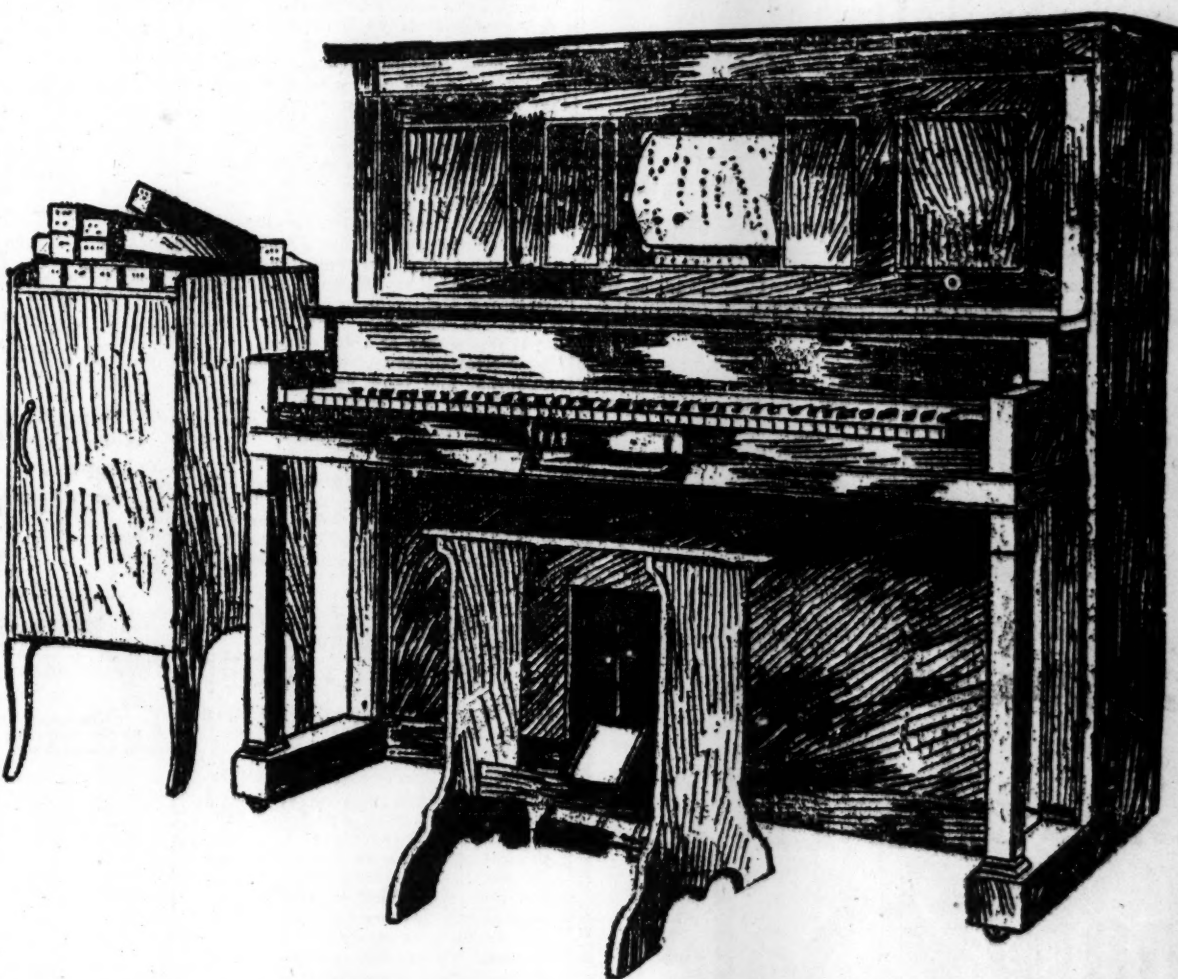
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DOCTOR CHARGES HIS WIFE ABETTED SUIT OF ACTRESS

New York Physician Alleges Conspiracy in \$50,000 Breach of Promise Action.

DIVORCE LATER ASKED FOR

Dr. William W. Armstrong Says Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont Promised to Aid Show Girl.

By Leased Wire From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—In papers placed on file in the Supreme Court today, Dr. William Willard Armstrong, consulting physician at the West Side Day Nursery, who is being sued for divorce by Augusta Goodwin Armstrong, charges his wife conspired with Henrietta Hoesfeld, 22 years old, a former show girl, to have her bring suit against him for \$50,000 for breach of promise to marry.

In June Miss Hoesfeld, through Inez Milholland Boiesevain, filed suit against the physician after, it is said, the show girl had been promised the aid of Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont and other prominent suffragists. Shortly afterward Mrs. Armstrong brought her suit for divorce, naming Miss Hoesfeld as correspondent. The conspiracy alleged by Dr. Armstrong was planned, he says, while Mrs. Armstrong, before her marriage, was nursing Miss Hoesfeld in the Polyclinic Hospital. He also said that he never would have married save for a letter written in which his wife demanded that he marry her or suffer the notoriety which his refusal would bring. Dr. Armstrong obtained an affidavit from Susan A. Henderson, who is related to him and lives in his home. Mrs. Henderson says that in February Miss Hoesfeld called at Dr. Armstrong's home and talked with her. From that conversation Mrs. Henderson says, she learned that Miss Hoesfeld and Mrs. Armstrong had made arrangements to entrap the physician, who, they believed was a man of great wealth.

Miss Hoesfeld says she consulted Mrs. Boiesevain and later upon her advice called to see Mrs. Henderson, to learn whether she would testify in her behalf in the breach of promise action. "I had discovered that he was deceiving me," said the former show girl, "and when I learned this I went straight away to Mrs. Armstrong and told her of my relations with her husband. There was no idea of forcing him to pay me money."

"CLIENT" WHO BORROWED FROM LAWYERS ARRESTED

William L. Byrd Admits Defrauding Attorneys Whom He Consulted Concerning Fictitious Case.

William L. Byrd, 64 years old, a benevolent appearing man, is at Central Station charged with defrauding lawyers. He admits the charge.

Several lawyers were found who said they advanced Byrd money. Among them were E. F. Phillips, a claims adjuster in the Navarre Building, and E. A. Ferrenbach, an attorney in the Pierce Building. The former parted with \$2 and Ferrenbach advanced \$150.

Byrd was arrested yesterday when he appeared at the office of John E. Dowdall in the Pierce Building and began telling his story. Byrd would call on a lawyer and after a few flattering remarks about having been referred to him as a "promising young attorney," would produce a paper purporting to be a power of attorney from "E. A. Bank of Walnut Hill, Ill. Bank" a fictitious person—had been injured in a railroad accident, according to Byrd's story, and the company had offered to settle with him for \$1500, but as "Bank" had lost both legs and arms he thought an attorney would be able to get more money for him.

Byrd told he had spent his own money coming to St. Louis to consult a lawyer. If the lawyer was willing to take the case, he was asked to advance a few dollars for expenses.

Plows special, 3 lbs. fine candy, \$1 Candies, 15c pound up. 521 Olive.

AID FOR OPEN AIR SCHOOL

Sale of Seals to Other Pupils Will Raise Fund.

The proceeds from the American Red Cross Christmas seals today in the public and parochial schools will be used to help feed the children in the open air school on Natural Bridge road. Last year more than \$2000 was raised by the sale of Christmas stickers to school children.

The Red Cross seal campaign is being conducted under the auspices of the St. Louis Society for the Relief and Prevention of Tuberculosis. Mrs. Edmund F. Brown is in charge of the Public School Committee and Miss Mary M. Helery and John D. Denver have charge of the Catholic School collection. The school has been operated for three years, has a capacity of 25 and since its establishment has discharged 38 children as well, who had tubercular tendencies.

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Robbed and Ordered to Run. Two men with revolvers stopped Mike Krajnovic of 722 Barry street in front of his home at 12:30 o'clock this morning and after robbing him of a rubber stamp bearing his signature, seven keys and his overcoat, ordered him to run south through an alley between Seventh and Eighth streets. He did not stop running until he reached the Southern Street Police Station, three blocks south.

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Women's All-Wool Albatros Kimonos, with fancy trimmed collars; all colors. Third Floor.

Service Is Up to the Mark at This "The Christmas Store"

Ample stocks—quick, intelligent & courteous attention from salespeople, prompt deliveries—all these aside from the wide, spacious aisles, numerous elevators, moving stairways, the score or more of service features for the shoppers' comfort, and the fact that this IS THE SAFEST STORE to shop in, make this your Christmas Store.

This week, when the strain is greatest, this store's service will not be found wanting—everything is ready for prompt, satisfactory & profitable buying of Christmas merchandise.



Shop Early in the Day, Please.

It's the Spirit to Take Small Parcels.

Theater Tickets

Get good seats here for leading theaters at box office prices.

Olympic—Otis Skinner, "The Silent Voice."

Park—"The Gingerbread Man."

Shenandoah—"The Quick-Sands."

Odson—Newman Traveltalks, Dec. 17, "Berlin."

Public Service Bureau, Main Floor Gallery

The Christmas Shoppers' Note Book

Suggestions of gifts, or service, helpful for the busy shoppers.

Leave Your Wraps in a specially prepared free check room where they will be hung up & cared for while you shop unhampered.

Delightful Concerts on talking machines are given daily in Recital Hall from 11:30 to 2. It's a beautiful place, a good time to hear the new records. Any desired selection played upon request.

Christmas Photos. What a happy thought. Practical way to remember many friends at little cost. We take every kind, from the small stamp picture to large, handsome folders. Free color picture given with every photo order between now & Christmas.

Fruit Cake, delicious & rich, made in our own sunlight bakery of choicest pure ingredients, mellow with age, selling at 5 lbs. for \$1.

A Gillette Christmas will be a happy one for the man who shaves. This store is headquarters for Gillette Razors, showing many styles at \$5 to \$25.

Of course the children want to witness the messages in Santa Claus' ear. He's at his St. Louis headquarters in the Basement.

B.O.O.-K's—a suggestion to act upon—something suitable for every man, woman or child—salespeople to advise you in selection if you wish.

Lucy Curtains—Husband give them to wife—wife give them to husband. Enough for all windows this way. Practical, sensible thing to do.

Red Cross seals are sold at all Exchange Dealers. All Floors.

Your Packages Done Up ready for mail or express, attractively & securely—free. Special Parcel Mailing Station, Basement Gallery.

Men's Silk Neckwear, 65c 2 for \$1.25



In Christmas Boxes

A wonderful range of beautiful Silk Neckwear in exquisite design & quality, cut in large flaring end shape. These are packed in handsome embossed Christmas boxes & really dollar Neckwear—neckwear that will appeal strongly to gift buyers.

Reefers & Mufflers, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 & \$3 White, black & pearl silk, hem-stitched or cord edge, serviceable & useful.

Hand-Knit Reefers, \$2.50 to \$10 A complete assortment, in most desired colors & styles.

50c Bradley Mufflers, 39c Men's & boys' colors white, black, gray & champagne, button at neck.

Main Floor, Olive & Seventh

\$4.49 Bath Robes, \$3.85

Women's All-wool Eiderdown Blanket Robes, also Beacon Blankets, trimmed with satin facings.

\$2.49 Princess Slips, \$1.69 Women's long front Princess Slips, 10 styles, made of sheer nainsook, Val. laces & embroidery trimmed.

75c & 85c Aprons, 65c Women's, Misses' & Maids' white Lawn Aprons, in plain or dotted Swisses.

Third Floor

Famous-Banco

ENTIRE BLOCK: OLIVE, LOCUST, SIXTH AND SEVENTH STS.

Largest Distributors of Merchandise at Retail in Missouri or the West.

We Give Eagle Stamps & Redeem Full Books for \$2 Cash or \$2.50 in Merchandise—Few Restricted Articles Are Excepted.

ALL merchandise returned for exchange or refund MUST be accompanied with original sales check.

Gift Buyers! Look at These \$19.75 \$27.50, \$30 to \$35 Fur Sets,

The most in furs that such a small amount has bought in many days. These values are remarkable indeed & are possible through the purchase at much below value of the furs from a leading New York furrier who sacrificed his surplus for ready cash.

Newest style muffs & scarfs—made of expertly selected skins. Included are Jap mink, pointed wolf, mole, coney, black wolf, beaver, Persian Pau—all lined with guaranteed satin.

A Limited Number of Handsome

Fur Coats at 1/2 & Less \$15, \$39.75 & to \$100

Just 35 Coats in this collection & they will have quick taking at the prices. Of black Russian pony, electric seal, French seal & Hudson seal—all well marked & matched pelts & priced now at just HALF of their former selling prices.



Third Floor

Sale of Women's Coats

\$12.75 to \$16.50 Coats \$17.50, \$19.75 & \$22.50 Coats

\$7.50 \$11.50

An unrivaled buying opportunity this. Coats are of striking style—the season's latest models & fashioned of boucle, plaids, novelty mixtures, zibelines, Scotch tweeds & other popular fabrics that are in first demand.

Here's the Overcoat Opportunity Shrewd Men Will Surely Appreciate

\$25.00 Chinchilla Overcoats At \$17.00

A bona fide saving of \$8 in stylish & serviceable Overcoats is the proposition in a nutshell.

Coats are expertly tailored from the genuine Milbrook all-wool chinchilla (a brand noted for its unvarying excellence), made in double-breasted style, with shawl collar, 46 or 52 inch lengths, belted back, with wide wale serge lining & with Skinner's guaranteed satin sleeves. All are hand-tailored, cut full & roomy, come in colors blue & Oxford, sizes 34 to 50, including both stouts & slims.

The quantity is limited. Be quick. The Wonder of Our Clothing Stocks—the \$14.50 Clothes Shop in Particular, Is These

Fur-Lined Overcoats At \$14.50

We would not have believed such a Coat possible at \$14.50—but a leading manufacturer, anxious for an increased volume of business, was willing to sacrifice some profit to make up such a garment for us. The shell is of all wool kersey, with Persian lamb collar & is lined throughout with pieced marmot. The equal of these Coats is not to be had anywhere under \$20 to \$25.



Second Floor

A Stirring Sale of

"Kestner" Character Dolls

Remarkably low pricing on this notable make of Character Dolls; have lifelike expression, open mouth & rubber nipples. Prices obtain only while lot lasts.

\$4.95 Large Baby Doll, \$3.45. \$6.45 Large Baby Doll, \$4.95. \$7.95 Large Baby Doll, \$5.95. \$1.75 Dolls, sewed wig, moving eyes, \$1.25.

\$1.50 Jointed Dolls, \$1 Large size, full ball jointed Dolls, sewed wigs, moving eyes, lashes & shoes & stockings.

American Flyer Mechanical Trains on track, \$1.00 to \$5.95. Eighter Stone Building Blocks, \$1 to \$6. Hill Climbing Friction Toys—all kinds, 50c to \$1. Hunting Game—complete with harmless cannon, 50c.

Educational Boards—very instructive for children, 98c. Meccano, the wonderful building toy, \$1 to \$36. "Bings" Constructors, the new building toy, \$1 to \$27.50. American Lead Soldiers, very amusing, 50c to \$3.50. Printing Presses, the rotary styles, \$1 to \$10.

"Bings" Mechanical & Electric Trains on Track, 50c to \$12. American Model Builder, steel construction toy, 50c to \$25. Simplex Typewriters, easy to write with, \$1, \$2, \$3 & \$5. Large Hobby Horses, swinging or rocking style, \$2.95 to \$20.95. Boys' Rubber-tired Autos, large sizes, \$6.95 to \$24.95. Girls' Doll Beds, wood, wire & brass, 50c to \$7.95. Blackboards, wall & easel styles, 50c to \$3.50. Girls' "Schoonhut" Toy Planes, 25c to \$10.



Basement Salesroom

Music Will Make Its Entry Into Many Homes Through This Offer of \$600 Solo-art Player-Pianos at \$445

Could One Imagine a Handsomer Christmas Gift?

This is unquestionably the greatest Player-Piano offer we have made. The SOLO-ART is an old & established make & has a tone & mechanism that will satisfy the most exacting musician. In a big purchase we secured a number at far below worth & these we offer at corresponding savings, guaranteeing them upon a money-back basis.

\$5 or \$10 All you need pay until after January 1st. Caution! Reserve yours early—they're going fast.

Sixth Floor

What a Satisfaction it Is to Own a NEW Victrola & Records

This is the only kind you can buy at this store, for we positively do not sell Victrolas & Records on approval. (So far as we can find out, we are the only St. Louis store that safeguards purchasers in this way.)

When you play your VICTROLA Christmas morning it will be the first time the instrument or the records have been used after leaving the factory testing room. Complete lines in all woods & styles at \$15 to \$250.



Sixth Floor

We Sell FREE Sewing Machines at \$1 Per Week

You can save enough money at this sale to pay all your Christmas expenses.

All stocks must be reduced to the minimum before inventory, January 2, 1915.

Less 1/2 Price Than 2 Sale

Hurry to this store tomorrow and investigate the phenomenal bargains that are listed in this announcement. A positive saving of the greater part of your clothing money is what this great sale offers you.

\$13.50 and \$15 OVERCOATS For Men and Young Men \$6.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

\$20 and \$22.50 OVERCOATS For Men and Young Men \$9.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

\$25.00 OVERCOATS For Men and Young Men \$11.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

\$13.50 and \$15 SUITS For Men and Young Men \$6.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

\$18 and \$20 SUITS For Men and Young Men \$8.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

\$22.50 SUITS For Men and Young Men \$10.50 on sale tomorrow at less than 1/2 price.

BOY'S CLOTHES At 1/2 PRICE AND LESS

\$3.50 Boys' Suits \$1.75 On sale at exactly 1/2 price.

\$5.50 Boys' Suits \$2.75 On sale at exactly 1/2 price.

\$7.50 Boys' Suits \$3.75 On sale at exactly 1/2 price.

\$10 Boys' Suits \$4.75 On sale at less than 1/2 price.

WEIT

CLOTHING COMPANY N. W. Cor. 8th and Washington Av.

Going Into Business?

Post-Dispatch Wants to Buy the Big Directories of Business For Sale Offers. Count Last Week.

POST-DISPATCH.....544
THREE Nearest Competitors Combined...494

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ST. LOUIS, WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 16, 1914.—PART TWO.

PAGES 13-20.

Lost in the Xmas Rush!

Many articles will be restored through Post-Dispatch Lost and Found Wanta. Count last week.

Post-Dispatch.....264
THREE Nearest Competitors Combined...260

New President for Vassar. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Henry Noble McCracken, 34 years old, professor of English at Smith College, was today appointed president of Vassar College, this city, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. James Monroe Taylor.

Victor or Columbia



Special Offer for Christmas

The \$100 Talking Machine, illustrated on the left, together with your own selection of Records amounting to \$25 or less will be delivered to your home any time up to Christmas Eve on special terms of

\$1.40 a Week

Other offers to meet every purse.

There are many advantages in dealing direct with the Aeolian Company—the largest Talking Machine dealers in this part of the country.

The unusual advantages secured through the special Christmas Offer explained above and all our other special Christmas offers.

Selecting your records at home. We send out from two to three times as many records as a patron desires to keep permanently. From these at your convenience in the privacy of your own home, you may select, thus avoiding the Christmas rush and choosing to better satisfaction.

The largest and most complete stock of instruments of all styles and wood finishes—and every Record catalogued by these two leading Talking Machine manufacturers.

Aeolian Service. Your machine fully guaranteed and kept in perfect playing condition by our factory experts. Prompt deliveries and intelligent attention to all your future wants.

The AEOLIAN Co

Largest Manufacturers of Musical Instruments in the World
Talking Machine Headquarters Makers of the Famous Pianola
Exclusive Steinway Representatives.

1004 Olive Street

J. A. MURPHY HAS PLAN TO LEGALIZE RACE TRACK BETS

Ingenious Scheme Is Revealed in Copies of a Proposed Bill on Gambling.

CO-OPERATION IN POOLS

He Would Organize Livestock Society to Conduct Racing in St. Louis County.

An ingenious scheme to legalize race-track gambling, which was blotted from the statutes of Missouri through the efforts of the Post-Dispatch, is revealed in copies of a proposed bill which are being sent to many persons in St. Louis by Joseph A. Murphy, a widely known racing man.

Accompanying the bill is a letter from Murphy giving some details of a plan to organize "The St. Louis Livestock Society," to conduct races and a fair at Kinloch, St. Louis County.

The substance of the plan is that a corporation with a capital stock of \$300,000, divided into 30,000 shares of \$10 each, shall be organized. The bill specifically provides that shareholders may make co-operative pools, and provides a system for recording of bets.

This plan would mean that, if the letter of the law was complied with, 20,000 persons would legally be permitted to place bets on the races held by the society. The section of the proposed law relating to gambling reads: "Section 11. Bookmaking and pool selling prohibited.—No bookmaking or auction pools will be permitted on the grounds of the society, but when horse racing is carried on for a period not to exceed 30 days in any one year, at least five days of which shall be exclusively for harness races, the directors of the society are hereby authorized to arrange members or co-operative pools on such races as are actually contested on the grounds of the society. They are further authorized to deduct from such pools a reasonable per cent for the purpose of providing suitable purses or prizes, to make a record of such pools, to issue tickets or receipts for the identification of members, and to provide suitable accommodations for the accommodation of the members."

Murphy has established headquarters in the Syndicate Trust Building. He is now in New Orleans, attending a meeting of racing men. Racing opens in New Orleans Jan. 1 for 40 days.

In his letter soliciting subscriptions to the capital stock, Murphy states that an option on the Kinloch racetrack has been obtained. The letter offers to give additional information if the person to whom it is addressed is interested.

The letter states that Murphy is the president of the Kinloch racing track in Canada, presiding judge of the Bowls track near Washington. The stock subscription blank submitted with the copy of the bill and letter provides that Murphy shall have 300 shares of stock for promotion purposes and that the society will take over the Kinloch property at \$250 an acre. Subscribers to not more than one share of stock agree in the subscription to give Murphy power to vote the stock for five years.

KING ALBERT'S BOOK ON SALE TO AID REFUGEES

LONDON, Dec. 16.—King Albert's book, which will be issued today, already has more than 25,000 copies in the hands of the book sellers. King Albert is editor of the publication, which has contributions from well-known persons of many nations, including Americans. Among the American contributors are ex-President Taft, Cardinal Gibbons, Andrew Carnegie, Joseph Choate, Lyman Abbott, Mrs. C. H. P. Belmont, Gertrude Atherton, James Montgomery Flagg, Margaret Deland, Winston Churchill, Charles Dana Gibson, Howard Chandler Christy, William Dean Howells, Edith Wharton, Harrison Fisher, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Maxfield Parrish, E. H. Sothern and Jack London. Among the others are Premier Asquith, Sir Edward Grey, Lord Kitchener, Henri Bergson, the Archbishop of Canterbury, H. C. Calne, Ambassador Jusserand, Rudyard Kipling, Alfred Noyes, Owen Seaman, Pierre Loti, Lord Reading, Earl Roseberry, Cardinal Bourne, the Archbishop of York, Israel Zangwill and William Watson.

The immediate purpose of the book is to raise funds for the Belgian refugees. There are striking passages in Choate's contribution. He says: "Those who were guilty of a awful breach of faith confessed their crime while in the act of committing it, and pleaded necessity to absolve them from all law, a plea which the whole civilized world rejected. As neutrals, by international law and by our own law, our hands are tied and will remain so, but our hearts go whither they list."

Boys' Arctic Outfits



Rubber Hat, Coat and Boots, Complete for \$4.68

Outfits for Girls at Popular Prices

Misses' Blue and Red Silk Waterproof Capes \$2.00
DAY RUBBER CO.
415 N. Fourth St.
"Buy From 'DAY' Today"

Get It Today



No. 00—Standard Combination Set. One of the most widely popular of Gillette Combination Sets. Has Triple Silver-plated Razor, Badger Hair Shaving Brush and Stick Gillette Shaving Soap in Triple Silver-plated Holders. \$6.50 and two Blade Boxes with 12 double-edged Gillette Blades (24 shaving edges). Seal Grain Leather Case.

KNOWN THE WORLD OVER

NINE hundred thousand young men have come to shaving age since last Christmas. Do you know one of them? Give him a Gillette. You will start him right in his shaving—and more, you will give him a standard of efficiency and economy in his personal affairs. The Quality Razor—the Quality Shave.

At your dealer's—many different styles in Gillette Safety Razors—\$5, \$6 and up. Make your selection today.

GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR COMPANY, BOSTON

Globe-Wernicke

Sectional Bookcases

For Christmas



SINCE everyone prefers to receive practical things, and since everyone reads, why not delight someone with a beautiful Globe-Wernicke Sectional Bookcase this Xmas? Such a gift will give a lifetime of service and serve as a lifelong remembrance of you.

Globe-Wernicke Sectional Bookcases are to be had here in many styles and finishes. Come and inspect them.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens

We agree to fit every writer's hand in size and shape, and with gold point in any degree of fine, medium, coarse or stub, precisely suited or changed to suit. Made in self-filling, safety or regular types, plain or artistically mounted in gold or silver. In attractive Christmas boxes and handsome cases, \$2.50 to \$3.00.

Or select one of our Laclede Self-Filling Fountain Pens. In chased black cases, and absolutely guaranteed. Each pen fitted with 14k gold pen, fine, medium or stub points. A gift well worth while, for only \$1.00.

BUXTON & SKINNER ON 4TH
PRINTING and STATIONERY CO. NEAR OLIVE

ADmits THEFT OF JEWELRY

Man Held Here Says He Is Son of Rich Cincinnati Grocer.

Frank B. Westendorf Jr., who says he is a son of a prosperous Cincinnati grocer, was brought back to St. Louis today to be tried on a charge of stealing \$18.50 and jewelry valued at \$411 from Mrs. Louise Baker of 3019 1/2 Bell avenue.

He admitted taking the money and jewelry. He said he was boarding at the home of Mrs. Baker. Her husband made some remarks, he said, which caused him to think it might not be safe for him to remain there, and, having no money of his own, he took her money and jewelry to buy railroad tickets. After his arrest, he returned all of the jewelry except a ring, which he said he sold for \$25. His father had employed a lawyer to defend him. He is 26 years old. He was the manager of a grocery at Grand and Easton avenues.

Busy Bee Candles for Christmas. See our line of Beautiful Baskets, Fancy Boxes and Imported Novelties. Your Christmas will not be complete without a box of Busy Bee Candles.

JOBs TO BE FILLED FREE

State Bureau Anxious to Get Work for Applicants.

Frank J. O'Keefe, superintendent of the State Free Employment Bureau, is mailing to employers of labor in St. Louis a request that they give the bureau a trial. He states that excellent help can be supplied and that by making use of the bureau the persons seeking work will be greatly benefited, as the State bureau is free, while other agencies, according to the letter, "charge an office fee of from \$1 to an exorbitant sum" for their services.

The letter states that 8000 applications have been made to the bureau for work, the applicants including bookkeepers, stenographers, clerks, salesmen, solicitors, tradesmen of all kinds, hotel and restaurant help and farmhands. The bureau is at 917A Pine street and employers are requested to visit it or call Main 3184 or Central 4883.

Plows special, 3 lbs. fine candy, \$1. Candles, 15c pound up. 521 Olive.

Jaccard's Xmas Gift Specials Tomorrow

Ask Trays of brushed brass with match box holder and two cigar holders attached—a useful, inexpensive gift for the man who smokes.

Old Dutch Flower Baskets—reproduced in silver plate from genuine Old Dutch silver designs. These quaint creations are wrought to represent flowers and figures and are gilt lined. Height 14 inches—a very dainty gift for a young lady. \$10.00

Old Ivory Jardinieres—hardy pottery with old ivory finish; 8 inches high and 8 inches in diameter; decorated in richly colored floral and border designs. Special, only \$1.00

Ladies' Umbrellas—fine gloriole silk, light roll, with long hand-carved Mission handles; a gift that will give years of service. Special \$2.25

Sugar and Cream Sets—rich cut glass, mounted with sterling silver—very beautiful gifts for the housekeeper; set of sugar bowl and cream pitcher, complete. \$3.00

Cake Knives of solid silver, 10 inches long, made so as to be used as a cake knife, ice cream slicer and pie server; beautifully engraved. Special \$2.25

6 Cut Glass Tumblers—rich American cut glass, extra heavy; very special value at \$2.50 per set of 6.

Red Man Emblems and Charms

Of solid gold, enameled in the work, the applicants including bookkeepers, stenographers, clerks, salesmen, solicitors, tradesmen of all kinds, hotel and restaurant help and farmhands. The bureau is at 917A Pine street and employers are requested to visit it or call Main 3184 or Central 4883.

Plows special, 3 lbs. fine candy, \$1. Candles, 15c pound up. 521 Olive.

Gifts for Ladies

YOU owe it to yourself to visit Jaccard's before Christmas. You can have no idea of the endless variety of elegant gifts until you have seen them with your own eyes. Do not imagine that it is expensive to buy at Jaccard's—High price is so often confused with high quality. You will be surprised at the things of beauty on sale here at \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00, and even for as little as 25 cts. and 50 cts.

Solid Gold Watches.....\$18.00 to \$375.00
Diamond Set Watches.....\$33.00 to \$450.00
Solid Silver Thimbles.....25 cts. to \$1.50
Umbrellas.....\$2.50 to \$40.00
Solid Gold La Vallieres.....\$3.50 to \$75.00
Solid Gold Rings.....\$2.50 to \$85.00
Opera Glasses.....\$8.00 to \$78.00
Solid Silver Manicure Sets.....\$7.00 to \$75.00
Solid Gold Bracelets.....\$7.00 to \$48.50

There are few ladies who would not appreciate a Silver Mounted Toilet Set. We shall be glad to show you 3-piece sets like above, plain or engraved at \$9.75 and up to \$15.00



A dainty pearl and sapphire brooch of crescent shape; heavy solid gold mounting—special. \$23.00

Vanities can never be replaced. Their daintiness and beauty accounts for their lasting favor. We are showing them in solid silver, plain or engraved at \$10.00

See our Christmas gift announcement in today's Times. Many helpful gift suggestions.

Book of 10,000 Gift Suggestions Mailed Free—Write for it.

You are welcome to look around.



A very dainty and elegant Chain La Valliere of solid gold, which makes a most acceptable gift. Set with 2 topazes and pearls. \$18.50

There are many ladies who would appreciate a Lorgnette for Christmas. We've an elegant collection from which to choose, at a great range in price. This 14k solid gold Lorgnette is a splendid gift. Value at \$17.00 to \$27.00

No matter how much jewelry a lady has, a Pearl and Sapphire Brooch is very sure to be appreciated. This one is of heavy solid gold and is a special value at \$38.00

Jaccard's Xmas Gift Specials Tomorrow

Coffee Percolators in nickel and copper with patent regulating alcohol lamps. Such celebrated makers as Universal, Manning-Blowhard and Starbuck are included. \$5.00

Big New Alarm Clocks—these accurate timekeepers are useful gifts that anyone would appreciate. \$2.50

Gillette Safety Razors—don't forget these celebrated Razors when thinking of gifts for gentlemen; upward from \$5.00

Bonbon Spoons—solid silver wrought in Old Dutch designs. Special values at \$2.75

14-piece Chocolate Sets—fine translucent china, decorated in a rose design in colors, with gold bands. Complete set of chocolate pot with lid and 6 cups and saucers. \$3.50

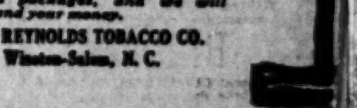
Solid Mahogany Clocks—gracefully and simply made with arched top; 15 inches high; fitted with guaranteed 3-day movement; cathedral song strike. Special. \$6.00

Gentlemen's Walking Sticks—beautifully made of fine polished pimento wood with handsome sterling silver trimmings; a splendid gift for a gentleman, only \$5.00

Reading Lamps—beautifully wrought of fine Colonial brass—lamps are 19 1/2 inches high and have alabaster art glass shades; very special values at \$8.00

Gift Certificates If you can't decide what to give, give a Jaccard Gift Certificate. It enables the recipient to choose whatever she wishes from our stock, issued in denominations of \$1.00 and up to \$100.

By JEAN KNOTT



HOW COOL NOON?

Only the who puts on the garment of humility finds how worthy he clothes his life.

TRY A TIME AD CALL UP THE POST-DISPATCH.

Oliver-6600-Central

Death notices, first 8 lines or less, 5¢ each extra line 10¢; memorials, etc., 20¢ per line.

DEATHS.

BIGGER-Entered into rest, after a lingering illness, Dec. 13, 1914, at 1:30 p. m., Katherine Bigger (nee Kleinfelter), beloved wife of Charles Bigger, mother of Mrs. J. Stupp (nee Bigger), Lena, Charles, and Mary. Deceased was a member of the Lutheran church. Burial at St. Paul's cemetery, Dec. 15, at 10 a. m.

CARREY-Entered into rest on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 8 a. m., after a lingering illness, Mrs. Mary Carrey (nee Dowling), dearly beloved wife of J. C. Carrey, and our dear mother, and dear daughter of Mrs. G. B. Dowling. Funeral from family residence, 4212 Dahlia avenue, Friday, Dec. 18, at 2 p. m., to St. Paul's cemetery. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

DEVAL-At Eureka Springs, Ark., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, Capt. William R. Deval, father of Mrs. Frank R. Cochran. Due notice of funeral will be given.

FANNING-Entered into rest on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1914, at 8:30 a. m., Mary A. Fanning, beloved mother of Josephine, James and John Fanning, Mrs. W. P. Cline, Mrs. W. Walker and Mrs. E. Edwards, sister of Mrs. Ellen Fanning. Funeral will take place from the family residence, 4246 Page boulevard. Due notice of time will be given.

FREY-Entered into rest, at the age of 91 years, Caroline Frey (nee Ottman), dear mother of Mrs. H. Ottman, and dear grandmother of Mrs. H. Ottman. Funeral from family residence, 4149 Eastman street, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m. (c3)

GUE-Entered on Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., in his seventeenth year, Herman Gue, husband of Josephine Gue, and father of Albert H. Walter C. and Helen Gue. Funeral from family residence, 225 Geyer avenue, will appear later.

JOHNSON-Entered into rest Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 9:45 p. m., Esther M. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Johnson, and sister of Victor, Edward and Aaron Johnson, in her thirtieth year. Funeral from family residence, 412 Linton avenue, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 10 a. m. (c3)

KIRCHHOFF-Entered on Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 9:55 p. m., from a lingering illness, beloved husband of Katherine Kirchhoff (nee Rostiger), dear father of Edna, Carl, and William Kirchhoff, brother of William G. Kirchhoff and Mrs. Lizzie Dohi, in his fifty-fourth year. Funeral will take place on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 10 a. m., from the family residence, 21 Vincent road, to St. Charles Rock road, to St. Anthony's cemetery. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

DEATHS.

O'CONNOR-Entered into rest Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 11 a. m., Patrick O'Connor, beloved husband of the late Rose O'Connor, and dear father of Mary Henry O'Connor and John O'Connor (one of the late Rose O'Connor), dear father-in-law of Archie McEllan, and our dear grandfather. Funeral from family residence, 104 South Broadway, on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 10 a. m., to St. Vincent's church, thence to Mount Olive cemetery. Interment private. (c3)

PEARSON-Entered into rest Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 10 a. m., Ernest O. Pearson, dear father of William H. Otto and our dear uncle, aged 53 years. Funeral from residence, 227 Mary avenue, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 1:30 p. m. Deceased was a member of Benton Club, W. O. W. (c3)

REIVE-Entered into rest, after a lingering illness, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3 p. m., Agnes E. Reive, dearly beloved daughter of Frank and Sophie Reive (nee Erb), dear sister of Mrs. Robert Reive, and dear daughter of our dear grandfather, at the age of 12 years. Funeral on Friday, Dec. 18, at 2 p. m., from residence, 1222 Arsenal street, to St. Matthew's cemetery. Funeral private. (c3)

SCHIFFERSTEIN-On Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1914, at 2:30 p. m., at Waterloo, N. Y., the late Mrs. M. Schiffenstein, nee Ruch, aged 82 years. Due notice of funeral will be given later.

SCHROEDER-On Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3 p. m., Wilhelm Schroeder (nee Rasche), our beloved mother, mother-in-law of Mrs. J. Stupp, and dear grandmother, after a lingering illness, at the age of 70 years 11 months and 11 days. Funeral Friday, Dec. 18, at 2 p. m., from the short illness, aged 52 years. (c3)

SLATMAN-On Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., George Slatman, beloved husband of Mrs. H. Slatman, and dear brother of August, James and Howard Slatman, and dear father of Mrs. H. Slatman, in his twenty-fifth year. Funeral Thursday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m., from the residence, 1000 S. 10th street, to St. Paul's cemetery. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

STOCKER-On Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., Elizabeth Stocker, beloved wife of John Stocker, and dear mother of Mrs. J. Stupp, and dear grandmother of Mrs. H. Ottman. Funeral from family residence, 4149 Eastman street, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m. (c3)

WARREN-Entered into rest Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 2:30 p. m., Susan Warren, Mrs. M. H. Hinde, Mrs. William Alexander, Mrs. E. Fink, and Mrs. J. Stupp. Funeral from home of Mrs. Hinde, 2306 South Grand avenue, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m. (c3)

WEHMEIER-On Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., Mrs. H. Wehmeier, beloved mother, sister and sister-in-law, after a lingering illness, at the age of 44 years and 11 days. Funeral Friday at 1:30 p. m. from family residence, 412 Linton avenue, to St. Bethlehem cemetery. (c3)

WILCOX-On Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 3:30 p. m., from a lingering illness, the late Mrs. W. Wilcox, in her sixty-fourth year. Funeral from Wacker-Helders chapel, 223 S. Broadway, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 10 a. m., to Concordia cemetery. Motor. (c3)

WILSON-Entered into rest Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 9:45 p. m., Esther M. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Johnson, and sister of Victor, Edward and Aaron Johnson, in her thirtieth year. Funeral from family residence, 412 Linton avenue, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 10 a. m. (c3)

COMING EVENTS.

EALE friends attend prize lucky party Saturday night, 8:30 p. m., at the Eale Club. Ladies' Eale Club. Admission 50¢.

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The Jarr Family

By ROY L. MCCARDELL

Mr. Jarr Listens to the Story of the Three Old Melodramatic Lions.

"I THOUGHT you said Horace Grindem, the playwright, wrote this play of the time of Nero during Nero's time?" remarked Mr. Jarr after he had lent Harold Dogstony \$5 for the day.

"So he did, so he did," returned the publicity promoter. "It has been sent to every theatrical producer since Shakespeare sat in the manager's office in the Globe Theater, Southwark, and the office boy said he wasn't in to anybody but squabs to be looked over to play the sprites in 'Midsummer Night's Dream'—which was the first show for the Tired Business Man—'Comical Cuss Comedians and All Girls and Giltier' you know."

"But the other day when you borrowed another \$5 from me you told me Grindem wrote this play, 'The Maiden Martyr' (then called 'At the Nod of Nero,' around three lions." "That's true," replied Mr. Dogstony. "These are the same lions. They have always been self-supporting, though—with managers in summer and posing for artists in the winter. Recently they have been working in the movies till the wires got to show too plainly in the pictures."

"Wires?" repeated Mr. Jarr in a puzzled tone. "Sure," Mr. Dogstony explained. "Of course the assistant director and the studio helpers could stand outside the camera lines and shoot the old beasts with air rifles to make them get up, but when the lions had to pursue the movie picture actors through the artificial jungle across the field of the lens they had to be carried on wires running on pulleys on overhead rails—also out of the field of the camera lens."

"The belts were the same color as the lions and couldn't be noticed—but you know how they go in for close-up stuff in the films these days. And the wires showed—and the belts, too."

"So if we hadn't have gotten the society dame to get her husband to finance her assured histrionic triumphs, Grindem would have had to give his antique old Leo and gone to work—and then it would have cost him a quarter at that."

"Cost him a quarter?" inquired Mr. Jarr.

"Sure! Grindem kept the lions in his room at an actors' boarding house—oh, the lions didn't mind being with actors—and while the landlady was willing to have them meet a lethal termination in the room they occupied with Grindem and two stock heavies who also worked in the movies, having raised full sets of distinguished looking whiskers so as to get work at \$5 a day as extras, dressing scenes as diplomats or Russian soldiers, close-up show up the false lam-brequina too much, but Grindem was to put the quarter in the gas meter, and he wasn't sure a quarter's worth would cover the kind of the desert, emeritus, Lucky we looked the dame with the stage aspirations and her legal provider who has the big bank roll."

"It looks pretty dubious for my wife's stage-struck friend," said Mr. Jarr, shaking his head. "I'm afraid Mrs. Clara Mudridge-Smith's debut in the title role of 'The Maiden Martyr' will end in disaster if any dependence is being placed in the old rabbits—I mean lions—your describe."

"Leave it to me!" cried Harold Dogstony. "As long as the angel's b. r. has a leaf of kale left, so long as there is leather in the tanyard, boodle in the bundle or yellow back debt destroyers left, the show that Harold Dogstony promotes publicly for will never flop. Are we downhearted? No! There's no such word as flop while there is cash in the kick off or dough in the damper of the angel husband!"

But Mr. Jarr shook his head and said he was glad he was a poor man whose wife couldn't afford to be stagestruck.

What the Sofa Said.

"I WANT," began the elderly man, after strolling around the furniture shop, "er—I want—well, you see, it's this way: There's a young man calls every night at our house—I have a daughter, you see—and—er—I suppose I ought to get a sofa for them—eh?"

"We have the very thing, sir," replied the suave assistant promptly. "Here you are, sir! Cupid's Retreat," specially suited for courting couples."

"Specially suited?" repeated the elderly one.

"Yes, sir. Observe the pretty covering. It is absolutely guaranteed to rear off in just six months!"

"But—but," stammered the parent, "I don't understand!"

"And when worn off," went on the salesman, "it leaves displayed a card, upon which is written: 'Time to Get Married! Neat, isn't it, sir?'"

The Prompter's Trials.

ON the production of a play there is an important person who is never seen and should not be heard by the audience, and yet he may speak more lines than the principal actor. It is the prompter.

Here is a description of a prompter's labors, written by one of the geniuses: "I, as prompter, had been kept very busy throughout the piece. In addition to keeping the actors on their lines, it was my duty to make all the outside noises. I had screamed 'Help!' I had shouted 'Kill him!' I had dropped planks to cover up deficient pistol reports. I had thundered, halled, rained, sung like a woman, marched like an army and howled like an infuriated rabbit inflated by drink. The last straw came when the hero, supposed to be pursued by hounds, sided to the wings and hissed: 'Bark, you fool, bark! Why don't you bark, you idiot?'"

'SMATTER POP?



Drawn for the Post-Dispatch By C. M. PAYNE

Pop Didn't Know What to Think!



"Humph! make Sioux Injun heap sick!"

What the Boss Doesn't Know Doesn't Hurt Him a Bit

She is a petite blonde and she operates the telephone switchboard in—well, never mind where! It is her duty, also, to ascertain the business that brings callers into the office. She was talking over the telephone yesterday when a man dropped in to see her employer. The visitor waited until she eased up a bit and then began: "I'd like to see"— "Just had my lunch," said the girl, speaking in the receiver. "I'd like to see"— the caller began again. "Oh, a sandwich, some German fried and a hunk of cake." "I beg your pardon, but may I see?" "Nix! I'm not going to buy any Christmas presents. I'm too busy." "Pardon me a second! Is Mr.—"

Provisional.

AFTER all, Love is best, blind. Maybe, if Love could see it would be the end of Love.

Wasted Time.

LITTLE Bobby's father was a doctor, and Bobby liked nothing better than to take his father's case in one hand, his overcoat in the other, and go down the street for a block or two to some imaginary patient. One winter's day, when he started out he forgot to close the door. "Bobby," called mother's voice sweetly, "please close the door." But Bobby was in a hurry and went on. "Robert," came father's stern voice, "close that door." Bobby returned and closed the door. Some time later he came in quietly, put up the case and overcoat, and started upstairs. "Bobby," said mother, ingratiatingly, "how's your patient?" "Dead," was the laconic answer. "Gone dead while I was shutting that old door."

Courtroom Amenities.

AND now I mean to handle your witness without gloves," said a counsel whose witnesses had met with rather severe treatment from the other side. "Indeed! That's more than I should like to do with yours," smilingly retorted his learned friend.

Wise Counsel.

I AM not happy with my husband. Can I get a separation?" asked a lady of a solicitor. "His life is insured in your favor, isn't it?" "Yes; I made him do that before we married." "Well, don't separate. He'll live longer or away from you!" One of the rarest of good habits is that of being always on time.

Christmas Bromidioms

"HURRY with it, so that she'll think I meant to send her something before I got her present." "John, dear, I have decided to let you get me this set of furs." "Rapa, when you get through spinning my new top, I'd like to play with it a while." "I don't believe it cost as much as what I gave her." "Rub-a-dub-dub-dub-dub-dub." "What did she think I could have wanted with that old thing?" "We won't go home till mornin'!" "Of course, it wouldn't be Christmas without a little egg nog." "Your wife gave you those cigars, eh? No, thank you; I don't smoke." "Merry Christmas, what? Wait till the bills commence to come in." "We don't like turkey. We always have a pork roast, instead."

From a Constant Reader.

AN American who was attached to the embassy at Paris tells of a Persian journalist who holds a strong objection to the notebook, dear to most of his associates. "This newspaper man wears large white cuffs, and on these he jots down such events as appeal to him, with suggestions for his subsequent articles. At first his laundress was much puzzled by these hieroglyphics, but at time went on she became able to read them, and apparently derived much benefit and pleasure therefrom. One day the journalist received with his laundered garments a slip of paper on which was written: 'Your last washing was very interesting, but we should be glad to have you give us more war news.' The tightwad generally is free with his opinion.—Indianapolis Star.



Describing Her.

SEVERAL villagers were discussing a departed sister, who had been given to good deeds, but was rather too fond of dispensing sharp-spoken advice. "She was an excellent woman," said the deceased lady's pastor. "She was constantly in the homes of the poor and afflicted. In fact, she was the salt of the earth." "She was more than that," remarked a villager. "She was the vinegar, the pepper, and the mustard as well. She was a perfect crust-stand of virtues."

No Shrinking Violet.

GOING to divorce your husband, eh? Let me recommend my lawyer. He got me my divorce without the slightest publicity. "Glad you told me about him. I might have made a mistake and employed him if you had not."

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